

# **The No-Name Newsletter**

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## **CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS**

I hope I do not offend anyone with a very brief newsletter, but the only significant happening in the Carolinas Chapter is the upcoming Speedway Regional. At the end of this newsletter is list of charities receiving money. Here is a rundown of some of the details of the regional in case you have not decided to come yet.

1. We have decided to give the vast majority (80% +/-) of the proceeds to five charities. I will include a list later of these charities.
2. We are auctioning off track laps at speed (170 mph) with Geoff Bodine as the driver and cars donated by the Petty Driving Experience. We are currently offering five sets of laps and the bids for those laps have already exceeded my expectations. We have \$3500 committed so far. In case you would like to bid, just call me and we can make it happen. The bid closes at noon on Friday April, 27, 2007. All bids will be made payable directly to Victory Junction Gang and should be 100% tax deductible.
3. We have a lot of goodies we are going to auction off for charity also. We will post a complete list on the chapter web site later, but so far we have one set of Kelsey Tires, a Freeman teakwood steering wheel, and a very nice leather Corvette jacket. We have commitments from the Carolina

Panthers and many NASCAR shops for items also.

4. The DEI dinner on Thursday night appears to be a hit again. The late sitting is sold out and the early sitting is getting close to being sold out also.
5. The Speedway Club has again agreed to let us use their facility for dinner on Friday night. You need to call them directly to make your reservations.
6. Several car classes are full or very close to being full already. As of February 28, we have 183 registrations.

We need lots of help as there is much work to be done at this meet – especially on Thursday for set up!!! If you plan to attend, please send in your registration ASAP. One is in this newsletter if you need one. And in case you are on the bubble for attending, just remember the sound effects that the Petty Driving Experience gave us last time!!

This is also the edition where we publish our yearly membership roster. Look for it at the end of the newsletter. Please check your information and specifically your email address and send me corrections. If your name is printed bold, check your due date as you may be behind on your dues.

## **VICE CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS:**

Because Bob is handling registration and is very busy, I have given him a hall pass for this newsletter. Look foreword to the June newsletter for his humorous take on our hobby and people.

## FROM THE JUDGING CHAIR:

# Preparations for Lowe's Regional Underway; Deadline Is Approaching

Reba Whittington

My comments will be brief this issue because I am so busy preparing for the regional and have several other projects ongoing.

Things are well underway for the regional meet at Lowe's Motor Speedway in April. If you have not contacted Jimmy Gregg to volunteer for a job, please do so. There are plenty to go around.

With about three weeks to go before registration closes, we have over one hundred cars for judging and display. And many other owners just want to drive their Corvette around "the beast of the east."

The 1966 judging class is full; the 1967 class is almost full. Several PV classes are almost full.

If you want to judge at the meet, be sure to list preference of division and section when registering for the meet. I will not be picking the teams: National Team Leaders choose judges for a regional meet. I will forward your name to the appropriate team leader for consideration.

The long-awaited 4<sup>th</sup> Edition *1970-72 Technical Information and Judging Guide* is now available from the Cincinnati office. Anyone preparing a 1970-72 for judging should obtain a copy as that is what will be used for judging this year.

## Regional Representative's Comments:

### Region IV Director's Report

The annual NCRS Board of Directors meeting will be March 24 and 25. I still am soliciting comments from the membership. Your link to the BOD is your director. Please, if you have concerns contact me. The meeting is open, with exception of the executive session, to all NCRS members in good standing. We will be electing a new president, and a new vice-president will be appointed. 2009 Regional site selection, 2010 Convention site selection, presentations on long-range planning, publications, judging, etc. are on the agenda. It is a hard day and a half (15 hours). The BOD strives to make your club more responsive to your needs and works diligently to ensure the long term survival and growth.

The new year started off with a bang! The Florida Regional was one of the largest in recent years. Good weather, fine cars, and good friends. Every

thing needed to have a successful event. They even exported plenty of one of their favorite products, sunshine. Don't ask me how I know!

I look forward to seeing many of you in April at the Lowe's Motor Speedway Regional. As usual Jimmy Gregg and crew have more activities planned than you could imagine. There are over 70 cars to be judged in some form. I am sure that they could use your help.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve you.

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# Summary of charities receiving proceeds from NCRS Speedway Regional

## Victory Junction Gang

### VICTORY JUNCTION GANG FACT SHEET

-  The mission of The Victory Junction Gang Camp is to enrich the lives of children with chronic illnesses by creating camping experiences that are exciting, fun, physically safe and medically sound.
-  Founded by Kyle and Pattie Petty in honor of their son Adam, the camp is scheduled to open summer 2004.
-  There are over 237,000 children in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia who would benefit from a medical camping facility. These children have a medical condition that limits their physical activity, and many of these children cannot attend traditional camp programs.
-  The Victory Junction Gang aims to serve children who are suffering from: arthritis, asthma, cancer, diabetes, epilepsy, genetic disorders, heart disease, hemophilia, HIV/AIDS, kidney disease, liver disease, sickle cell anemia and spina bifida.
-  No child or family will be charged to attend The Victory Junction Gang Camp.
-  The Victory Junction Gang Camp will be located in the Piedmont Triad of North Carolina on 75 acres surrounded by hardwood forests. The land was generously donated by Richard and Lynda Petty.
-  In its entirety, the camp will be comprised of 36 buildings which will include a state-of-the-art medical center, a dining hall, a performing arts center, an arts and crafts building, 16 camper cabins and a sports and recreation center.
-  The camp will have a racing theme with the sight, sounds, look and feel of a race track, making even a simple trip to the Fuel Stop (Dining Hall) fun and exciting for kids.
-  Campers and families attending the camp can take part in all kinds of activities like boating and fishing, swimming, arts and crafts, horseback riding and more.
-  The Victory Junction Gang Camp will have year-round programming. The camp will address the needs of the whole family by providing family and sibling retreat weekends, as well as special camper reunion events, September through May. Summer camp will consist of eight week-long sessions for 125 children each session from June to August.
-  The Board of Directors has embarked on a \$24 million capital campaign to build and endow the camp. Of that amount, \$20 million has been raised. (March 2004)
-  The Gang's hope for all who visit and participate in the camp is that they will "Feel Your Heart Race." The Victory Junction Gang is a member of Paul Newman's Association for The Hole in the Wall Gang Camps. As Co-founder Paul Newman hopes that kids who come to The Victory Junction Gang Camp will 'kick back and have fun.'

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Victory\\_Junction\\_Gang\\_Camp](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Victory_Junction_Gang_Camp)

## **Speedway Children's Charities**

### **Who We Are**

Speedway Children's Charities provides funds to organizations that meet the direct needs of children. From mentoring programs to camps for special needs children, we best affect children's lives by supporting organizations that work tirelessly to see that children's needs are met and that no child is left behind regardless of illness, social environment, or disability.

### **Our History**

We were founded in 1982 by Bruton Smith, Chairman of Speedway Motorsports and Sonic Automotive, who wanted to give back to the community. As both companies expanded, so did Speedway Children's Charities. In 1990, Major General Thomas Sadler, USAF (ret.) was appointed Executive Director to help facilitate growth. Once only associated with the motorsports and automotive industries, Speedway Children's Charities now attracts interest and funding from all types of corporate and community entities. Speedway Children's Charities was named a proud charity of NASCAR in 2003.

### **What We Do**

Our priority is improving the quality of life for children in need, and this mission has remained the same throughout our 24-year history. Through donations, sponsorships and fundraising events, we distribute funds directly to qualified nonprofit organizations that provide medical, educational and social services to children. In 2006, we awarded more than \$2.8 million to over 470 organizations.

### **How We Work**

Speedway Children's Charities hosts a wide range of fundraising events and promotions across the country. These events are supported by teams of volunteers, sponsored by corporations and attended by individuals like you. At the end of each year, funds raised as a result of these events and promotions, in addition to qualified nonprofit 501(c)(3) charities. These charities must directly affect children in need of medical, educational or social services.

### **The Importance of Contributing**

We hear it said time and time again: "It isn't the size of the donation that counts, it's the compassion that comes with the act of giving." Please consider including Speedway Children's Charities in your future charitable giving plans. It is important to us, to the children who will benefit from your compassion and the community as a whole.

[www.speedwaycharities.org](http://www.speedwaycharities.org)

## **The Dale Earnhardt Foundation**

Mission Statement:

"To 'Continue The Legend' through charitable grants that sustain Dale's lifelong commitment to Education, Children and Environmental / Wildlife Preservation"

<http://www.daleearnhardtinc.com/content/legacy/foundation.aspx>

## **The National Corvette Museum**

From the NCM web site:

Since 1953 the Corvette has been America's Sports Car. The National Corvette Museum was established as a 501(c)3 not-for-profit foundation with a mission of celebrating the invention of the Corvette and preserving its past, present and future.

Corvette enthusiasts from all over the world kindly and lovingly refer to the NCM as their home ... Their Mecca.

We welcome you to our Corvette world on the Internet. Our website will give you some feeling of visiting the Museum, but just as exhibits and displays change within the Museum, you will continuously see enhancements to our website. We will strive to become the resource center that Corvette enthusiasts world-wide want and deserve. We invite you to visit and revisit our website often.

We especially invite you to visit us in person (in Bowling Green, KY) and experience first hand the passion and the excitement of America's Sports Car, the Chevrolet Corvette.

Again, welcome to the National Corvette Museum website and thanks for the visit.

**Wendell K. Strode**

*Executive Director*

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>

## **CMC Levine Children's Hospital**

Nothing is more precious than the health of your child. The Children's Hospital at Carolinas Medical Center is dedicated to caring for children from birth through young adulthood. We lead the region in offering more than 30 specialized pediatric services including kidney, liver and heart transplants; cardiac and cancer care; neurosurgery; rehabilitation service; and the highest designated level of neonatal intensive care.

Our mission is to ensure excellent children's healthcare by building partnerships between caregivers and families. Our guiding principles of Quality of Care, Respect for Families, Partnership and Family Education are at the center of every decision we make.

In 2007, we will open the doors to Levine Children's Hospital. This new children's hospital will combine the medical expertise the community already relies on with a spectacular new state-of-the-art facility designed to care for the physical and emotional needs of children and their families.

By investing in research and education, we will ensure our people and our technology will be at the leading edge of medical advancements — all with the ultimate goal of being able to better care for the children of the Carolinas.

We invite you to get to know us — by touring this website and by visiting our hospital.

<http://www.levinechildrenshospital.org>

**FUTURE EVENTS: REMEMBER THAT IF YOU ATTEND ANY NCRS EVENT , YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THAT EVENT PER NCRS GUIDELINES**

**Chapter and Local Events:**

Every Sat. Night                      Cruise In – Good Old Days Café – Highway 51 Charlotte, NC

**2005 Regionals:**

April 12 – 14, 2007	Las Vegas Regional	Las Vegas, NV
April 26 – 28, 2007	Speedway Regional	Charlotte, NC
May 17 – 19, 2007	Garden State Regional	Edison NJ
June 7 – 9, 2007	N. Central Regional	Rochester, MN
Sep. 13 – 15, 2007	NW Regional	Leavenworth, WA
Oct. 25 – 27, 2007	Texas Regional	Waco, TX

**CONVENTIONS:**

2007	July 22 – 26, 2007	Boston, MA
2008		St. Charles, MO
2009	July 12 – 16, 2009	San Jose, CA

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## Classified Section:

Alan Beaver has a new source for hats, shirts, jackets and other items for the Chapter. He will have samples at the Nuts & Bolts. Hopefully, an order form is in this newsletter.

### FOR SALE:

1. 1962 Corvette – Original Big Brake Car (Complete) RPO 687, Originally FI (FI Unit and Distributor Included) – Red / Red - Both Tops - Wonder Bar Radio

1968 Camaro Z-28, Maroon / Black – 3,900 original miles – What else need to be said??

NOS 1965 – 1967 Powerglide Neutral Safety and Backup Light Switch - \$300

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I have many back issues of the Restorer and Driveline magazines donated by a fellow NCRS member. These are to be given away to a needy home. Call me if you are interested in filling out your collection. Help me get rid of these before Libby makes me.

Used copper radiator for a midyear also. Reasonable

2. 63-65 Carter AFB part# 3851761 \$275.00.  
(1) B.F. Goodrich Silvertown 7.75x15 W.W. \$100.00. NEW  
(1) Firestone Deluxe Champion 7.75x15 B.W. \$90.00. NEW  
Call JT 540-554-2309. Cell 540-467-0866.
3. Wanted – a 1959 or 1960 Corvette in excellent condition and is a “real” car  
Nick Ciompi [ciompi001@mc.duke.edu](mailto:ciompi001@mc.duke.edu) (919) 489-6704
4. For Sale set of four 1982 Collector Edition wheels with center caps. Mint  
\$2500 Call 864-882-8806 between 5-9PM
5. Body dolleys made – Contact Doug Aldridge

# A Few Photos From Events Last Year.



**BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY AT IT'S BEST**



**RICHIE AT HIS BEST!**



**BEAUTIFUL BANNER ELK IN SEPTEMBER 2006**



**GOOD FRIENDS, GOOD TIMES,  
BANNER 3LK CHAPTER MEET 2006**



**Y'all need to plan to be in our future pictures. There are plenty of activities planned this year, from the Lowe's Motor Speedway Regional, technical sessions, the annual Fall meet, Shatley Springs Road Tour, you name it. If we need to do something else just let Jimmy Gregg know. See y'all soon!**