

PRESIDENT'S DECEMBER MESSAGE



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NCCC President

December is the start of the Holiday Season and the last month of 2017. I ask myself every day where has the year gone and why is time moving faster each day? I don't think I am any slower than I was years ago. I just don't bend as well as I was able to when I was in my twenties.

2018 renewals should be done and everyone with a correct email address should have received their new printable 2018 NCCC membership card with your name, NCCC number, and if qualified, your high speed license. The membership card will come from NCCC to the same mailing address as my monthly message.

This is the first time NCCC has sent out membership cards by email. There have been a few issues, and Walt Jenkins, Director of IT, has resolved each issue. Walt told me this is version #1 and next year it should be easier without the issues some of you have experienced this year. If you have a problem printing out your new card, contact your club Governor first, and if they cannot resolve the issue, contact your Region Membership Director. Most members have shared they really like the new card with the current information printed on the card. You can also have your card on a smart phone. There is no limit other than space what NCCC can print on the card. This new process has been a huge saving for NCCC going forward. As with anything new, please give it a chance to work. If you need a new plastic membership card, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the VP of Membership Amelia Workman and Amelia will send you a new card.

I look back at everything that has happened in NCCC this past year. Our membership has grown to the largest it has ever been, NCCC Facebook has more members sharing and communicating with each other, and I believe there are more friendships of members having a good time enjoying each other and their Corvettes. Life gives us challenges each year, sometimes every day. I have witnessed NCCC members helping others all the time. NCCC's "Hardship Fund" has helped financially when members have had a need. "Family Helping Family program" has helped members when traveling. NCCC's Insurance Program has protected clubs and members when there have been insurance claims. NCCC's sponsors have saved many members dollars when using sponsor's discounts. There are many more benefits belonging to NCCC. The best part is getting to know all the members in your club and National organization. NCCC members are the best! I personally have experienced this as my own family deals with my oldest daughter's husband as he struggles with brain cancer. NCCC members who don't even know my daughter and her husband have sent cards and support to help fight this horrible cancer. It blows me away how generous NCCC members are. And the power of prayer from so many members has helped John (39 years old and seven kids) fight this battle for seven years. Thank you all who helped. You really are the **best!**

The year winds down and we look forward to a new beginning and New Year 2018. Each New Year I always set goals for the New Year. Sometimes I succeed with my goals, and some goals are still on the list from 20 years ago. I encourage you to set some goals in your own life, something to do different in 2018, someplace to go to you have never been, call a friend you have not talked to in while, contact a family member you have not seen in years. Be the better person and make the move to do something different. Sometimes we forget how important it is to connect. Wait too long and it may be too late. I guarantee you will feel good about it. Without any goals we just continue to be where we are and never experience all that life has to offer.

With Christmas this month enjoy getting together with family and friends and let them know how lucky and blessed we all are. Give everyone a hug and let them know you care.

May everyone have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May all your dreams come true and 2018 be the best year ever in your life.

***God Bless you all,
Dave Heinemann
President NCCC***

p.s. A 2018 Convention update is posted on the NCCC website under "[Conventions](#)". Look at all there is to do and planned for the 2018 convention in New Orleans in July 2018. Registration opens in February 2018.