

CROSSED FLAGS

The Official Newsletter of the
Louisiana Chapter of the
National Corvette Restorers Society



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March, 2009

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2009 Chapter Officers

Chairman: **Jim Boudreaux**

Vice Chairman: **Mike Leeds**

Secretary: **Larry Mulder**

Treasurer: **Ralph Adams**

Judging Chairman: **Bill Folse**

Webmaster: **Jim Boudreaux**

Crossed Flags Editor: **Bill Folse**

2009 Meeting Calendar

Upcoming Chapter Meetings/Events

- **March 15th, 1:00 PM judging school**
St. Rose, LA.
(Alton Rivero's Home)
- **May 23rd, crawfish Boil**,
Hammond, LA.
(John Maggiore's shop)
- **July 26th, membership meeting**
Baton Rouge, LA.
(Gary Cox's shop)
- **September 20th, judging meet**
Baton Rouge, LA.
(Gary Cox's shop)
- **November 15th, membership meeting**
Slidell, LA.
(Gerald's garage)

**NOMINATIONS OPENED FOR
2010 OFFICERS!**



UPCOMING
EVENT

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FOR DETAILS...

3/15/09 1:00 PM
ST. ROSE, LA
(HOSTED BY
ALTON RIVERO)



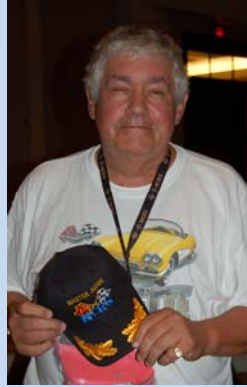
HAPPY MARDI GRAS



Chairman's Message

By: Jim Boudreaux

Well, it's now February and as usual I am behind in my tax preparation as well as my restoration on my 1968. We had a great meeting at John's garage (hard to think of it as merely a garage) in January. The plans for the regional in 2011 were presented by Ralph Adams and when work was completed on the proposal it was submitted. We are now in a waiting game to see if the proposal is accepted by the NCRS Board. They will meet in March to decide. Even though there will be a LOT of work for us all, this will be a great event for our chapter. More to follow on this project.



Our Secretary Larry Mulder is taking action to get us in the hunt for a Top Flight Chapter award. There is a lot involved so read the newsletter closely and offer to help if you can.

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Mike Leeds also is one of the leaders for the 2009 Corvette Museum Caravan on Labor Day Weekend. This promises to be a large corvette event and Mike is planning a great trip to Bowling Green.

For the rest of the year we have some great events coming up and I would encourage all to check the schedule out at our website. The next up is a judging event being planned by Bill Folshe our new Judging chairman, on March 15th at Alton Rivera's garage. Watch for info and directions. This will be a great event.

Quite a few of us were at the Florida Regional (Winter Meet) in Kissimmee. It was a great time and many of us got in some good judging time. I think we have several folks close or at Master Judge level.

In closing I would encourage all to try to make it to some of our meetings and events. We need all the help and input we can get and it makes the meetings better when many are present.

Jim Boudreaux

Chairman
Membership Chairman



Rolling chassis on display in Kissimmee



Prototype LT5 saved from the crushers

Judging Chairman's Message

By: **Bill Folse**

Our "Judging School" is quickly approaching on March 15th.

A lot of advance preparation has been made to prepare for this event.

We will be devoting much of our time to covering the NCRS Judging Reference Manual. If you are going to campaign your Corvette, or if you are interested in judging, this manual is *essential* reading. For other members, this manual also describes how to achieve the various awards. When we hear about a controversy, we have to wonder sometimes if the parties involved understand the information in this "NCRS Bible".

We will also have some campaigned Corvettes on display so that we can add some real life sharing about some of the challenging parts of the judging process.

To get the most out of the session, the following items will be useful:

- Judging Reference Manual
- Technical Information Manual
- Small mirror and flashlight
- Folding chair
- Don't forget your reading glasses

This would also be a great opportunity to:

- Share your experiences
- Invite a candidate for membership (with or without a Corvette)

Please contact me, Jim Boudreaux, or Mike Leeds if you are planning to attend so that we can make sure that we have adequate resources for everybody.

Looking forward to seeing everybody!

Bill
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NCRS Chapter Award Program

(See the LA. Chapter's Score on Page 9)

Every year we attend the national membership meeting held at the NCRS National Convention and watch the presentations for "Chapter Top Flight" award.

I personally witnessed Mike Leeds accept the Top Flight award for our chapter when we attended the NCRS National Convention in St. Louis.

It was a good feeling to be a part of that! I was pretty excited to see that our chapter is so visible and active. Many of our members (good friends) are highly respected on the national level.

Over the course of the year, the LA. Chapter conducts enough activities to meet the criteria for recognition as a Top Flight Chapter. Member participation is all that is really needed.

Of course, the criteria in many of the events is not satisfied unless you bring your Corvette!

In addition, the criteria does not require that the chapter leadership make all the decisions about what events can be conducted. If you have an idea for a road trip, or if you want to host an event, please let Jim Boudreaux, Mike Leeds, or Larry Mulder know about your interest.

Larry Mulder has offered to set aside the time to keep our effort coordinated, and to make sure that our information is submitted to the national organization in time to be applied towards our goal. We will be posting Larry's report in each of our newsletters for you to see.

Get involved! Get that Corvette out on the road!



Meeting Minutes – January, 2008

The meeting was held at John Maggiore's garage in Hammond. Fifteen members attended the meeting.

This was a General Membership meeting. No special events/functions.

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 PM by Michael Leeds. Mike announced the results of the 2009 Officers election. Jim Boudreaux was elected Chapter Chairman. This is in addition to being Membership Chairman and Webmaster. Mike is Vice-Chairman. Larry Mulder is the Chapter Secretary. Ralph Adams continues as Treasurer. Bill Folse has been appointed Judging Chairman, in addition to maintaining his position as the Editor of the Chapter **CROSSED FLAGS** Newsletter.

Jim Boudreaux thanked Michael Leeds for this leadership and service as Chapter Chairman during the previous two years. Jim also thanked John Maggiore for his MANY years of outstanding service as our Chapter Judging Chairman. Gary Cox was also recognized for his years of service as Secretary. **THANK YOU GUYS for a job(s) well done.**

Ralph Adams reviewed the Chapter's finances. The 2008 End of Year treasury balance is \$13,599.26.

Jim Boudreaux stated that for 2008 we had 111 Louisiana Chapter members. Membership renewal is currently underway for 2009. So far we have 37 renewals, and expect this number to grow considerably in the next few weeks. If you have not sent in your renewal information and \$\$\$check to Jim, please get it in the mail soon. The number of members registered at the end of January will be used as the basis for the NCRS Chapter Award Program. More about this later.

Jim will contact our Regional Representative Gary Chesnut over the next few weeks concerning when the 2008/2009 Chapter Membership Reports are due.

Larry agreed to start/maintain a list of all required Chapter reports to the NCRS National and to other agencies (State of Louisiana, etc) so that we can do timely reporting and meet our deadlines.

The date for the May Crawfish Boil at John Maggiore's house has been moved from Sunday, May 17 to Saturday, May 23 due to a conflict in John's schedule. Everyone agreed with the change. The date change will be communicated in the next CROSSED FLAGS newsletter and on the Chapter website.

The Chapter has purchased the NCRS Training Seminar/Judging DVDs. There are five sessions on the DVDs covering the topics Operations, Fiberglass and Paint, Matrix Judging, Judging 101, and the Judging Reference Manual. The group discussed showing one classroom segment of the program at a meeting and then discussing the information as a group. Members' cars would be used during this process to provide visuals and demonstrate the various concepts. The objective is to help our members in the NCRS Judging Process and to also get judging points as a Technical Seminar/Judging School. Since a Chapter Judging School is already planned for the March meeting, we will start the process then and see how it works out. We can then decide how many additional sessions should be done throughout the year. Bill Folse will champion this program as our Chapter Judging Chairman.

Jim discussed travel and lodging plans for the Florida Regional next week. Jim and Mike will try to setup a dinner for Chapter members on Thursday night around 7:30 pm. Jim also reviewed his travel plans, and if anyone was interested in doing a caravan/road trip from Louisiana. A number of the guys are planning to leave early Thursday morning. A few are flying in due to schedule issues.

Ralph Adams presented a proposal for a September 2011 New Orleans Regional at the Downtown Hilton. The Hilton is a 5-star hotel located in the French Quarter – Riverwalk area. This would be an inside event, with the judging field located in the Hilton Grand Ballroom. We would be required to put visqueen under the cars, and to use plywood for high traffic areas/turns. Car will be limited to 1/8 tank of gas, and a 24-hour fire watch from the New Orleans Fire Department will be required for the event. We can get a great deal on the hotel and guest rooms, but adequate parking for tow vehicles and car trailers is a problem...and a potential deal breaker. Ralph will continue to work this issue.

Ralph, Mike, Jim, Bill, and John Maggiore visited the hotel last week and viewed the ballroom and parking areas. There is room for 100 cars. Ralph has developed an Excel spreadsheet for the event with associated costs and income. This will not be a money making event for the Chapter, but should be close to break-even IF WE CAN GET SPONSOR DONATIONS. Felix said that he would commit to get one or possibly two New Orleans Chevrolet Dealerships as major sponsors....assuming GM remains alive and continues to operate. However, we will still need some additional, minor

sponsors such as local Corvette Clubs, auto parts dealers, and local auto businesses. We will have over two years to work this issue and make it happen. The group also discussed increasing Chapter dues beginning in 2010 to help fund the event.

The group agreed to proceed with the event planning, assuming Ralph (and others) can get the parking issue resolved. Jim and Ralph will also review with the NCRS National Board at the Florida Regional next week.

Larry reviewed the NCRS Chapter Award Program for 2009. The group agreed to go for a **TOP FLIGHT Chapter Award**. This will be challenging, but is achievable with hard work and some pre-planning. Larry will champion this program and will review criteria and progress at each meeting. He will also develop a scorecard toward our goal, which will be included in the **CROSSED FLAGS** newsletter, beginning with the March issue. Quarterly Progress Reports must also be submitted to the National each quarter during the year. Larry will do this. Probably the two biggest issues we face for a **TOP FLIGHT AWARD** are need for more member participation in team meetings and activities, and for more member Corvettes to be driven to Chapter events.

Felix asked how to get New Orleans Children's Hospital accepted by the NCRS National as a recognized charity for matching funds. Larry will work this issue and discuss at the next meeting.



Larry reported that the Louisiana Domestic (Non-Profit) Corporation Annual Report for 2008 for our Louisiana NCRS Chapter will be submitted this week. The 2009 Annual Report is due March 5. This second report is currently being prepared.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Mulder
Louisiana Chapter Secretary
NCRS 20401 - 122

HEYYYYYYYYYY! WE NOTICED YA'LL



YES, That's Mark Tulley and his '89 Callaway Corvette featured in the Fall 2008 Corvette Restorer magazine.

Get your copy out and check out the front cover for a head on shot of this beautiful and very special Corvette!

Also, the December 2008 Vette Vues magazine has a feature article about the 2008 NCRS Gallery at Corvettes at Carlisle.

We are excited to see some of our favorite Corvettes including Bob & Sharon Zimmerman's 1990 Turquoise convertible, Tim Mickey's 1958 "Roach", and Bill Folsie's 1991 ZR-1

RESPECTING OUR ELDERS – MECUM AUCTION 2009 – ORLANDO





CORVETTES AT MECUM

ORLANDO
2009

MECUM FEATURE OFFER:
"GULF 1" Z06



OR, IF YOU PREFER A CONVERTIBLE....
(CHECK OUT THIS BEAST WITH THE TONAWANDA DECAL)



**ALL THE GANG STOPPED TO SHOW OFF AND
PRETEND**



**MANY BEAUTIFUL AND "TAMER"
VERSIONS OF CORVETTES WERE
OFFERED...**

**IT WAS AN EYEFUL TO BEHOLD. WE
WERE NOT DISAPPOINTED!**

FLA
Chapter
NCRS
Hosted

2009 Winter Regional Meet Old Town Kissimmee, FLA.

FROZEN CONCENTRATED CORVETTES



who invited Jack Frost?



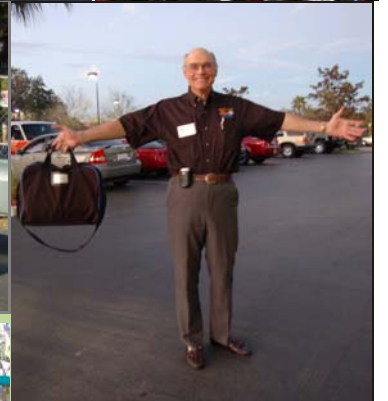
Our annual trip to Florida was, as usual, with a twist. We were amused as we watched the temperature drop to near freezing as we got closer.

The event was, as always, well worth the drive, and full of surprise!

The McNays and the Ingrams were singing "do you know the way to San Jose"



Just When You Thought You've Seen It All



Hey Trosclair! a little cold weather never hurt a RCA. Just bring some of dem beers.

(And it makes it easier to check for cold start fast idle!)



HAVE FUN!
ya'll come back
now!

NCRS Chapter Award Program

By Larry Mulder, #20401-122

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 chapter at the National Convention



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

Required Activities for the year	Variable Activities for the year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 At least 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 A charitable donation of \$100 or more is donated to a 501-3C qualified charity

Quarterly Reporting: Quarterly reports are due April 10, July 10, October 10, and January 10. Reports received after the deadline will result in all activities during that quarter being disallowed. Supporting documentation including Chapter Newsletters and Chapter Meeting Sign-in Sheets must accompany each quarterly report. The reports are to be sent to Marilyn Heitzman.

Our Chapter Score: The table below shows our progress toward achieving a **Chapter Award** for 2009.

An "XX" indicates that we have completed the requirement, and an "IP" indicates that work is planned or in progress to complete the requirement. **We will need to develop plans for those activities that are currently shown blank.**

Activity/Status	Comments		Activity/Status	Comments	
1R	IP		1V	IP	
2R			2V		
3R	IP		3V		
4R	XX	COMPLETED	4V		
5R			5V		
6R			6V	IP	
7R	IP		7V		
8R	XX	COMPLETED			



National Corvette Restorers Society

LOUISIANA CHAPTER Membership Application



Louisiana Chapter 2009 DUES: \$20.00*

JOIN OTHERS WHO SHARE YOUR INTEREST IN CORVETTES

LOUISIANA CHAPTER NCRS, A PART OF AND SANCTIONED BY NCRS NATIONAL, THE WORLD'S LARGEST CORVETTE CLUB!

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

NCRS LA CHAPTER APPLICATION DATE:

MAIL THIS FORM WITH DUES ENCLOSED TO:

LOUISIANA CHAPTER NCRS

C/O Jim Boudreaux
539 Evergreen Drive
Mandeville, LA 70448

Order Your Chapter Shirts Here!

Mike Leeds is presently taking orders for chapter shirts. Shirts cost \$55.00 each plus shipping. This cost includes your name and your car's name embroidered on the shirt.

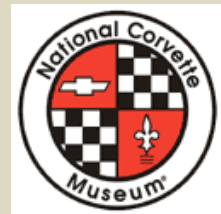
(Completed order sheets should be forwarded to Mike Leeds with payment)

Your Name			Year of Corvette	
Shipping Address			Body Style (Circle One)	Coupe Convertible Hardtop
Phone	Home:		Special Options (Circle)	LT1
	Cell:			ZR1
			427	
			L88	
Email Address			VIN Number	
Name you want on this shirt			Exterior Color	
Circle Appropriate Info	S M L XL XXL	Men's Ladies	Interior Color	
Quantity Ordered			Your Corvette's nickname	

Celebrating 15 years of growth and changes, the 15th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum September 3-5, 2009, will be celebrated with the arrival of the National Corvette Caravans with participants from around the globe. As with past Labor Days this celebration will remain a "members only" event. Everyone registering for the Anniversary Celebration will be either an existing member or become one as part of the registration process as the Celebration continues as a member-driven event, which unites friends, family and enthusiasts for a look back on the Museum's history and future! Those registered can enjoy 3 days of displays, the grand re-opening of the Museum with the newly completed expansion, road tours, special video presentations, raffles, the annual open Membership meeting and more during this event in honor of your help and support! The event will also include the Lifetime/VIP dinner, 10-year/15-year member recognition, Ambassador Breakfast, and the "Corvette Hall of Fame" Induction Ceremony and banquet where we will induct new members into the prestigious and elite group of recipients who have made a significant contribution to Corvette history.

The agenda and online registration should be active March, 2009 and the deadline to register is August 19th, 2009. Make sure you are signed onto [NCM eNews](#) to be notified about the event. Those pre-registered for the weekend will receive the event dash plaque and lapel pin, as well as a personalized event badge and don't forget to sign up with your choice of Corvette Caravan.

**2009 NCM 15th
Anniversary Labor Day
Weekend
September 3-5, 2009**



PLEASE REGISTER!!

...for the *2009 National
Corvette Museum Caravan*

Register at the National
Corvette Museum Web Site

For more info contact **Mike
Leeds**, Co-Captain for the
Gulf Coast Region Caravan
504-250-7203

UPCOMING EVENT

Judging "School"

3/15/2009

1:00 PM

Hosted By
Alton Rivero

Location
160 Oak Manor Ln.
St. Rose, Louisiana 70087

(504) 467-7721

Directions from East Bank

- I-10 to I-310 South. Take I-310 south to Airline Highway
- Exit I-310 to Airline Hwy East (Kenner) – stay in right lane as you merge on to Airline Hwy. to 1st red light (Almeda Road).
- Turn right at Almeda Road and follow Almeda Road to River Road.
- Turn left onto River Road then left onto Oak Manor

Directions from West Bank

- Hwy 90 to I-310 North. Take I-310 north to Airline Highway
- Exit I-310 to Airline Hwy East (Kenner) – stay in right lane as you merge on to Airline Hwy. to 1st red light (Almeda Road).
- Turn right at Almeda Road and follow Almeda Road to River Road.
- Turn Left onto River Road then left onto Oak Manor

HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO SHARE WITH THE REST OF YOUR CHAPTER?

HAVE A CORVETTE EXPERIENCE THAT WE CAN RELATE TO?

NEED A PART?

FOUND A PART?

LET US KNOW AND WE WILL HELP PASS THE WORD AROUND!

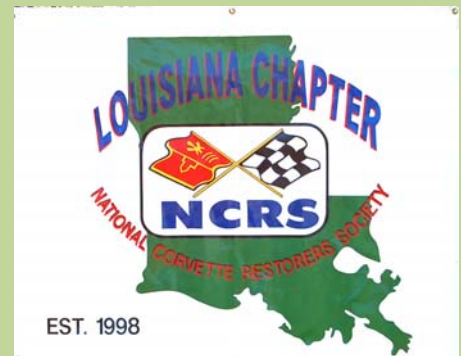
SEND YOUR MESSAGE IN MICROSOFT WORD TO B3fols@comcast.net

PS!! SEND ME YOUR ARTICLES ON EVENTS YOU'VE PARTICIPATED IN!!



Louisiana Chapter NCRS

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Louisiana Chapter NCRS Members 12/2008

Ralph & Ann Adams	LA	Ronnie & Vickie Lawrence	GA
Gerald and Kim Avery	LA	Bob & Jimmie Leeds	LA
Mark & Natalie Barber	LA	Michael E Leeds	LA
Chuck & Fredi Berge	VA	David & Brenda LeFeaux	LA
Jim & Gina Bienvenu	TX	Kirk Legendre	LA
Robert J Binder	LA	Thad & Jodie LeJeune	LA
Fenwick & Candace Binder	LA	John & Gwen Lejsal	TX
Terry and Wendy Borne	LA	Gene and Andrea Leonard	AR
Gary and Rose Marie Bosselman	IL	Jim Loughlin	NJ
Jim & Jacki Boudreaux	LA	John & Dale Maggiore	LA
Roland J & Janet Boudreaux	LA	Dave McIellan	MI
John Brown	NJ	Terry & Liz McManmon	IL
Richard & Nancy Buckheister	LA	Art & Glorie McNay	CA
Gary and Norma Chesnut	TX	Keith & Beth Melebeck	LA
Vito Cimilluca	NJ	Tim & Gale Mickey	IN
Bruce Clark	LA	Jim and Lisa Mixon	LA
Brady & Patricia Como	LA	Gene & Diane Mohler	LA
Gary & Elizabeth Cox	LA	Richard & Debbie Money	FL
Mark & Maria Credo	LA	Patrick & Monica Moresi	LA
Billy and Jackie Dean	LA	Linzie Morse	LA
Bob & Sherri Demmel	TX	Gary and Sharon Mortimer	OH
Jerry & Jeanette Dennies	LA	Larry & Sharon Mulder	LA
Tom & Vicki Diermann	LA	John and Evie (Ivelis) Mulhern	PA
Paul & Cheatta Dogali	LA	Tom & Mary Ann Murphy	LA
Jude Ducote	LA	Larry & Susan Murphy	SC
Phil & Terri Ezell	LA	Ed Nunenmacher	MS
Stan Falenski	PA	John O'Haire	LA
Felix & Mary Famularo	LA	Jeffrey Peters	MO
William J & Linda Ferenczy	LA	Richard J & Diane Reed	MS
Bill Folse	LA	Bob & Bonnie Reeves	LA
James and Deborah Fox	LA	Alton and Kim Rivero	LA
Roy and Inez Glapion	LA	Bruce C & Virginia Roch	LA
Tom & Alisa Green	MO	Jon and Clara Rogers	LA
Nick & Brenda Gristina	LA	John Ruschak	NJ
David and Mary Gulley	AK	Dennis Sagamang	RI
Carl B & Hope Hamilton	MS	Mike & Toni Sams	GA
Kirk & Cathy Hastings	TN	Craig & Lisa Sansoni	LA
Wayne Heale	New Zealand	Mike and Darlene Shkolny	Canada
Randy & Susan Hebert	FL	Ken & Ginger Sleeper	IN
Richard & Betty Hebert Sr	LA	Jeff and Nancy Sloan	FL
Darrell and Mary Hill	MS	Mark & Susie Smith	LA
David Hill	MI	Don Van & Mary Speybroeck	TX
Gary and Linda Hiltunen	CA	Norris & Judy Stoute	LA
Lael B Huffstutler	AL	Darrell & Deanna Suber	MS
Alvaro & Mary Lee Hunt MD	LA	David & Mary Beth Swindler	LA
Mike and Sharyl Ingham	CA	Toby & Anna Taylor	AL
Andy & Jessica Jordan	GA	John B & Patty Thibodeaux	LA
David & Teresa King	TX	Joe Trybulec	AR
Bill King	TX	Mark Tulley	NY
Mark and Mary Kinler	LA	James & Regina Wildman	VA
Ken & Sandra Klein	MS	Gordon & Carol Willhoft	LA
Harry & Karen Kleinman	LA	James & Barbara Youens	LA
William and Dian Lacy	MO	Robert and Sharon Zimmerman	NJ
Lawrence T Landry	LA		

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