

## Corvette History Seminar & Open House at Pro Team Corvette

### Address

1410 Scott St, Napoleon, OH 43545

### City

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### State

Ohio

### Country

USA

### Chapter

Michigan Chapter NCRS

When: Saturday, November 14

Where: Pro Team Corvettes, 1410 Scott St., Napoleon Ohio 43545

Time: Breakfast 8 AM, 9 AM Seminar Begins, 12 Lunch, 1 PM until over

**(1) 9:00am: THE EVOLUTION OF A RACE CAR Presenters: Greg Fadler & John Heinrecy**

Greg and John will outline the process they used as GM Development Engineers to select and develop vehicles for transformation into competitive SCCA racers. They will share the steps taken to produce successful performance products that led to the release of the Cobalt, Solstice, Saturn Ion, Camaro and Corvette race car packages. These insights will be of great value in understanding how to build a successful "grass roots" race car.

**(2) 10:00am: THE NEAR DEATH OF THE C-4 CORVETTE Presenter: Russ McLean**

Russ will be providing us with an insider's perspective on the Corvette vehicle development process during a most challenging period of GM's history. As the Corvette Platform Manager, he is uniquely qualified to share the unknown chapter of Corvette history when it was transformed from an unprofitable product scheduled for cancellation, into a successful and innovative car that set the stage for the fifth generation car.

**(3) 11:00am: THE LIFE OF ZORA ARKUS-DUNTOV Presenter: Jerry Burton**

Jerry will share insights into the personal life and unknown accomplishments of Corvette's first chief engineer as related by his wife Elfie. He will share many aspects of Zora's exciting younger years and his rise to prominence despite his disregard for upper management direction.

**(4) 12:00pm: LUNCH**

**(5) 1:00pm: MARK ENGINE DEVELOPMENT Presenter: Ken Kayser**

Ken's program will feature excerpts from his upcoming book documenting the evolution of the Chevrolet big block engine program. He will describe the engine evolution from the efforts to refine the W series engines, the development of the Mark II, Mark IV and beyond. As the former Master Mechanic at the Tonawanda Engine Plant, he will certainly be able to confirm/negate some of the "tribal knowledge" that has been handed down as gospel

*Probable Attendees: Al Grenning/CCAS, LLC, David Burroughs/Prove It, John Ballard/Paint Expert, Kevin MacKay/Corvette Repair, Franz Estreicher/Rochester Round Table, Guy Larsen/Bloomington Gold*

Price \$ 20.00 - Free to anyone 45 years old and younger

Any questions contact Werner Meier at [vetteking51@hotmail.com](mailto:vetteking51@hotmail.com)

Please RSVP by November 10th to [mltreece@yahoo.com](mailto:mltreece@yahoo.com) if coming so we can get a head count for Lunch