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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Ed Bonk



I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with their families and enjoyed the day spending dedicated time with everyone. This is that one day we are thankful for what we have in life and it is best spent with your loved ones.

Although this is the December Gas Cap, I would like to turn back the clock to October. The night before Halloween, with short notice, about fifteen club members gathered together and drove to Dave Bresler's house to see his Halloween display. Dave said he was impressed when he saw all the Corvettes drive up his street, but I, as well as the others, was very impressed with the display on his lawn. There was a man in an electric chair that fried him when turned it on. Another display had a guy screaming on a table with chains that vibrated. These were just some of the displays Dave had on his lawn. I won't say anymore, but with Dave animating the displays at a console and Fox News broadcasting it, you know this was quite a display. Way to go Dave and we'll have a caravan to your house next year.

In November we had our elections for the Board (page 4). I want to congratulate the elected Board Members and I'm looking forward to working with them, as well as the Chairman of the Board, Officers and Chairpersons throughout 2006. To continue my pursuit in strengthening our club, I asked Mark Sandler to accept the role of Technical Chairperson. This position is a voting position and he will be invited to all Board meetings. Mark accepted this position and I am very pleased with his decision. This club is about our members, so always feel comfortable discussing new ideas with any of them.

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President's message (continued from page 1)

Congratulations to the CCDV Racing Team as they won the Corvette Challenge for the third year in a row. Bowling night at Lans-Bowl in Lansdale started in November and everyone had a great time. It was good to see Maureen Burke there with her son Nicky.

The Sunshine Foundation celebrated their 30th anniversary in November (page 5). This is one of the organizations to which we donate each year for the tireless work they perform for children with disabilities. On Friday the 18th, Joel Fellman (Vice President) and I were invited to join Bill Samples (Founder) at Comcast's CN8 studio in New Castle, Delaware to present a check for \$5,000 on the "Your Morning" show. Although Joel and I did not get to present the check because of time constraints, it was quite an experience to see what goes on behind the scenes. We had a makeup artist prepare our faces when we arrived and then we sat in a waiting room while the hosts, crew and producer ran around between commercials. It was amazing how quickly they move chairs, props and people in and out of the studio. I would be the skinniest Corvette President ever if I had to do what they do each day. After the show I was talking to Connie Colla, the show's host, and she said her father, who lives in Montana, has two Corvettes. We also talked about the club and maybe there could be a segment about our club next summer. I'll follow up on that next year.

For December there is our Holiday Party (there will be no General Meeting) and I'm looking for a great time and the opportunity to meet new members.

I wish you and your family the best.

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There will be no General Membership meeting in December. CCDV will celebrate the Holidays with our annual Holiday Party.

Website and Club Related Issues

If you have any issues with the website such as: lost password, username, sign on or receiving the Gas Cap, please e-mail me at wburkholder4@comcast.net. When you e-mail me please include your screen name, real name, and e-mail address. Please do not e-mail "WebGuy". Jeff will only handle the technical aspects of the website. You can also e-mail any questions that you have regarding CCDV and I'll re-direct the e-mail to the proper chairperson that will be able to assist you. I hope in doing this we speed up our response to you on club related issues.

Thanks, Bill Burkholder

2006 CCDV OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

I look forward to working with the following members in their roles in support of the club for 2006.

OFFICERS:

President – Ed Bonk Vice President – Joel Fellman Treasurer – Pete Carroll Corporate Secretary – Brian Dixon Recording Secretary – Bruce Waldron

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Corvette Club of Delaware Valley History

by Ed Bonk

While riding with Joel Fellman (Vice President and Club Historian) to New Castle, Delaware for the CN8 Sunshine Foundation segment, he shared with me some articles and pictures of our club and members from the past. As you know our club has been in existence since 1958 and Joel has over 2000 pictures and articles in storage. He showed me pictures of our past members and their cars from the 60's. He even had a General Ledger book showing financial entries. The club had \$250.00 in its bank account one year and spent \$4.00 on postage one month. I am a big supporter of preserving history and never forgetting what people have done in the past to give me what I have today. So with that said, I want to continue to remember some our Club's past history. Starting in January I will add a column in the Gas Cap that will show pictures and articles from our past. We are the Third Oldest Corvette club in the United States and entering our 48th year, so let's share the past as we move forward into the future.

^{*} Invited to Board Meetings with voting rights

30 Years of Sunshine

It started a few weeks ago when Dave Bailey, the Development Executive from the Sunshine Foundation contacted me with an invitation to be a part of a live telecast at CN8 in New Castle, Delaware on Friday, November 18th. The Sunshine Foundation was about to celebrate their 30th Anniversary and they wanted CCDV to attend as we are one of their largest and longest running contributors.

When I said it all started a few weeks ago, that isn't really when it all started. In fact, it was early 1987 when CCDV was seeking another organization for us to donate funds to. Up until then, all CCDV donations were to the Big Brothers Assn., America Diabetes Assn. and the Navy Relief Fund. Hearing all good things about a local foundation started by Philly police officer, Bill Samples, I suggested we donate to the Sunshine Foundation.

As it turns out, 1987 was also the tragic year we decided to move the Cavalcade to the Valley Forge Convention Center. They claimed that our Cavalcade could bring a return of some \$20 to \$40,000. Visions of grandeur and maybe even the purchase of a Club house seemed within our grasp. Unfortunately, a week before the Cavalcade, Pennsylvania began major road work on Route 363 which made access to the Center next to impossible AND it rained for several days before and during the weekend, which flooded part of the lower level where the Corvettes were to be parked. Instead of making a profit, we suffered a loss of over \$10,000. Because after expenses the Club treasury was nearly wiped out, the first donation of \$250 to the Sunshine Foundation was raised by the Officers and Board members each contributing \$20. The Club had seen its worst time but despite, this set back, we were determined to move forward and make a come back.

Obviously CCDV has grown larger and stronger since then and we have been able to continue supporting Sunshine as well as several other deserving causes through the perseverance and hard work of our dedicated members.

Now back to the Present! Appearing live on a local cable show seemed to be a fantastic opportunity for CCDV. I invited Ed Bonk, our Club President to join in and of course he agreed. The plan was for Bill Samples and Dave to be introduced and speak about Sunshine. Then they would introduce the first family to ever get a Dream answered back in 1976. Later Ed and I would be introduced to make a presentation from CCDV to Sunshine which would be used to fulfill the Dream of the first family of Sunshine's 30th year.

Well, as things go, the day at CN8 was hectic to say the least! The Morning Show airs from 9 to 11 AM. We were scheduled to appear around 10:30, but because of time delays and programming problems, Sunshine's 15 to 30 minute segment was cut back to 5 minutes and provided only enough time to promote Sunshine and the two families. Ed and I were bumped. However, all was not lost! Ed and I got to spend time with the current Miss America plus Miss Delaware and several of the station models (poor us!). We also got the opportunity to take lots of photos, including some with the Show's host, Connie Colla and her staff.

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Going Racing

by Tony Buonassisi



And so another race season comes to a close, but what a season it was. Team CCDV has won the Corvette Challenge Club Challenge Cup for the third year in a row. There was never a doubt from the beginning which club would take the cup. With 16 members racing this year we had a tremendous advantage over some of the smaller clubs in the area. Participating for CCDV this year were: Doug Bereczki, Al Betz, John Burbich, Mike Campbell, Rob Farley, Joel Fellman, Neil Fine, Ellis Gray, Richy Josephs, Ken Lynch, Jerry Muniz, Glenn Murphy, Edgar Perez, Lee Sofer, Laura Thomas, pit truck driver/cheering section Rose and myself. We also had some non-points racers join us on more than a few occasions. Those who came out were Tad Archambault, Jim Bole and his son Devon, Nick Cipriano, Bob Rosenberg, Mark Sandler and Joe Signore. If I missed anyone, I apologize. We also had support from several CCDV members, who came out to cheer us on. Thanks to all of you who raced and supported us through this season. Now for some highlights.

Neil Fine and Edgar Perez both got their cars into the 10's in mid November during a track rental day at Atco. Edgar and Jerry Muniz competed in other events during the racing season and were both quite successful in their competitions. Rookie Doug Bereczki started the year running mid to low 14's and finished the season running 13.8's. Jim Bole and his son Devon did not sign up for points this year, but came to most of the second half races. Jim raced motorcycles in past years so he was not new to drag racing but Devon was new and still did a tremendous job of running his dad's '93 coupe. On the last race day of the year, E-town was running a trophy Marathon. This is where you have two time runs and the lower of the two runs is your dial. You then get to race four more races. Even if you lose, you still come back to run again until you've run the four races. You get a trophy sized for the number of wins you have, the more races won the bigger the trophy. Devon won all four of his races and went on to race in the "King of the Hill" eliminations. He made it to the semifinals where he was finally beaten. Not only was dad Jim proud, but those of us who watched Devon from the sidelines were also proud. Laura did a great job of racing this year and we hope she'll be back next year after her car's tranny gets a freshening up. Ellis, Jerry and Neil had problems with breakage, but will be back next year, ready to light 'em up. These guys sort out their problems and get right back to it.

Although I've been back racing for a few years now it seems I learn something new every race. What to do and what not to do. Right Al? There are so many things to remember and do before you even get to the starting line. My car has been running fairly consistently, so any losses are square on my shoulders. The biggest improvement to my car was the 4.11 gears that I installed. It took me awhile to get used the car's reaction, but it is second nature to me now. I've lost races by lifting and letting my opponent cross the finish ahead of me and I've run full out only to break out and lose. It has been great racing with some of the best people around. Coming up against a fellow teammate only means that you will have to do your best to win, because any member of Team CCDV will be trying to beat you. Some of the best races I've run this year have been against fellow CCDVers

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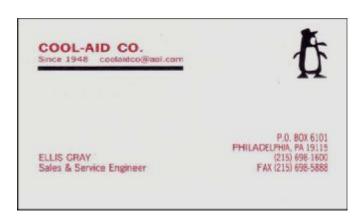
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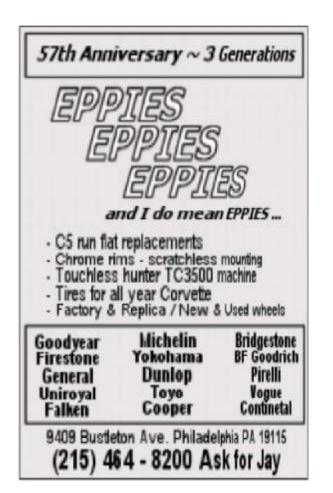


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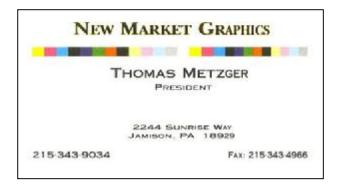
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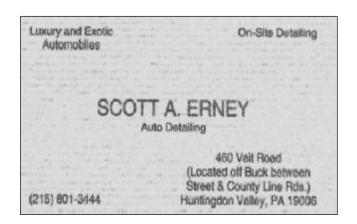


















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Dave Hill Retires

I was fortunate to meet Dave this year and have my picture taken with him. I hope Tom Wallace does as good a job as Dave. Below is a 10/27/05 press release from GM.

Ed Bonk

by Bob Lutz, GM Vice Chairman

In case you haven't heard, Dave Hill is retiring as of January 1, 2006 after 41 years with General Motors. As you probably know, Dave is the chief engineer for Corvette, just the third one in its 53 year history and also vehicle line executive for performance cars.

Dave will be missed. He's a very creative guy, and he believes that his sole mission in life was to make the Corvette the best sports car on the planet, and he has taken it to heights none of us could've imagined. Let's face it, Corvette was always a pretty good sports car, and we revere the old Corvettes of decades past but, in all honesty, in the international context, they were interesting cars filled with character, but not great international sports cars.

With every generation the Corvette has gotten better. The new one, the C6, is David's masterpiece. His absolute intent was to make it the best, and he wouldn't settle for anything less. He is the perfect expression of the product philosophy of "don't shoot to be competitive; shoot to be the best."

Dave was often disruptive, stubborn, unwilling to take direction, unwilling to take advice, unwilling to accept constraints or limits — in other words, the perfect man for the job. He forged ahead with the single-minded dedication to make the Corvette the best vehicle there is. And he achieved it. The Z06 today is hailed around the world as the biggest bargain in supercars ever. It equals all of the European supercars that cost hundreds of thousands of dollars or euros, making it an enormous bargain.

Dave has a huge following in the Corvette community. He stays in close contact with the owners and they love him because he's one of them - he's an absolute Corvette nut, and I mean that in the best possible sense.

So how do you replace a guy like that? Well, optimally, you want someone who matches all those characteristics, who is equally passionate about the product. And that is Tom Wallace, who has an equal level of I-won't-let-anything-stand-in-my-way dedication, a guy who is a very capable weekend racer with an impeccable car-guy background. He has a deep understanding of high performance cars. And he is genuine. He will be totally accepted by the Corvette community as the Real McCoy.

And by the way, Tom was Dave Hill's personal recommendation. It takes one to know one. So I think this is going to work out well.

This Month's Bryner Chevrolet Specials

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30 Years of Sunshine (continued from page 5)

We didn't get to promote CCDV but we had a great time and still appreciated the fact that the Sunshine Foundation thought enough to recognize our involvement and invite us to join them. After lunch at a nearby restaurant, we all traveled back home, no worse for wear. However, we're still hopeful that some of the photos will show up somewhere in print so our effort will not have been totally in vain.

Just so everyone is aware, Dennis Trayes and I have been asked once again to be helpers/lifters on the Sunshine's next one day Dreamlift (airlift of 100+ seriously ill or physically challenged children) leaving from the Atlantic City Airport on Tuesday, December 6th to Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida.

Then on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 there's another Dreamlift scheduled to depart from the Willow Grove, Naval Air Station. CCDV may be invited to participate. ALSO, on Saturday, June 24, 2006, CCDV has been asked to have a mini show at Core Creek Park and perhaps provide rides in our Corvettes at the Sunshine's Annual Progeria Reunion. (Progeria is an undetectable & fatal disease which causes children from birth to age approximately 8 to 10 years for every one year of life). It is anticipated that twenty children will attend from all around the world. This will also be a tremendous opportunity for CCDV to witness first hand how our contribution reaches out and helps children in need.

The May and June events are still in their planning stages, but I will keep everyone informed as more information becomes available. Until then, on behalf of the Sunshine Foundation, I thank all CCDV members for your continued and kind support.

Joel Fellman

CCDV - VP and Club Historian

PS: I also want to thank Jeff Hey for providing the large presentation check which we had intended to give to Bill Samples while on the air.

CCDV BOARD MEETING

by Ed Bonk

I've been asked on numerous occasions what goes on at a CCDV Board Meeting each month. I thought I would write this article to give you some insight as to what transpires. Unlike the General Membership meeting which has the grandeur atmosphere of members meeting each month to have fun, get to hear club updates, listening to guest speakers, enjoy the free food, have a few drinks and stay after the meeting to talk about whatever comes to mind, the Board meeting is not quite the same. Now don't get to thinking that we are gladiators who meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month to do battle over club business and issues in an uncivilized way and don't even smile at each other. No, it's not quite that way but we do have a very serious agenda and our goal is to always look out for the best interest of the club and its members.

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at Jeff Hey's house in Jamison, PA. Actually, the meeting is conducted in a section of his five car garage. In attendance beside myself are the Chairperson, my four Officers, eight Board Members, Gas Cap Editor and three Chairpersons which will increase to four in 2006 with the addition of Mark Sandler (Tech Chairperson). This is a total of eighteen club representatives who are committed to keeping CCDV a premier club and upholding its history and ethics. Some members of the Board are also on the C.E.C.F. Board.

I start the meeting at 8:00 pm and an agenda is strictly followed. This is necessary due to the number of items that need to be discussed as well as the number of attendees. The meeting ends at 10:00 pm and once in a while it might go an extra 5 or 10 minutes. Following on the next page is a copy of November's Agenda in small font with no spacing:

CORVETTE CLUB OF DELAWARE VALLEY

AGENDA November 17, 2005

TOPIC	<u>MINUTES</u>
Opening - Ed Bonk	5
Minutes - Bruce Waldron	5
Treasurers Report - Pete Carroll	5
Activities - Don Terranova	15
- Holiday Party	
Gas Cap/Web Site - Bob Rosenberg and Bill Burkholder	10
Membership - Allan Kramer	10
CECF - Bob Weiss & Jeff Hey	5
Old Business - Group	30
- Issues Log	
- Old Business from last month minutes	
- VB Upgrade_	
- Scholarship Fund	
- New General Membership Meeting	
- Lifetime Membership (Who and Presentation Date)	
New Business - Group	30
- Changes for 2006	
 Technical Chairperson (Mark Sandler) Move Cavalcade & Holiday Party to Activities Group 	
- Sunshine Foundation Trip & Donation	
Cavalcade Show - Group	5
- New Location	3
 Jenkintown (Bob W), Newtown (Ed B), Philadelphia Park (GS), Warminster Park (PW), New Hope (DT), Willow Grove and Atco (Tony B).

I open up by discussing non-agenda items such as a pat on the back to someone, things that I'm concerned about, general questions to the group, or specific issues. Bruce Waldron, Recording Secretary, sits to my left with his laptop and begins to record the minutes. When I'm done we go down the agenda starting with Bruce. For the minutes, treasurers report and new members report I always ask for a motion to 'Approve', than a person seconds it and than I ask if everyone is 'In favor', 'Not in favor' or who 'Abstains' with the raising of hands. On key decisions or allocating of money I will also go through this process to get everyone's concurrence. Don is allocated more time to report than others because he has so many activities to discuss. When Allan reads the new member applications (varies between 1 to 8 per meeting) it includes their name, where they live, their profession and type of car. Bill reported he has fixed 53 problems since he assumed the role of web administrator and they are normally fixed within hours of being reported. Bob or Jeff gives an update on C.E.C.F. such as the raffle car or money to donate. We discussed six organizations that will receive donations from the club for a total of \$12,000. The group discusses "Old" and "New" business items as listed in the agenda. Lastly, the Cavalcade is discussed. These discussions start in August for the June show and lately it's been focusing on a new location and a one day show. We ruled out Newtown, Warminster Park, New Hope (School) and Willow Grove and added three new ones to research. They are Northampton Township Park, Middle Bucks Technical School and Holicong Park in New Hope. The time spent on the Cavalcade will be increased starting in December. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 pm.

I hope this article gives you an appreciation of the Board Meeting and how club matters are handled. Starting in January I'm thinking of allowing a club member to a meeting each month. I just have to work out how I will do this.

AN EATING EXPERIENCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2006

Mamma Maria's Ristorante Italiano, located at 1637 East Passyunk Avenue in South Philadelphia is just that: an eating experience and also a South Philly landmark! Your meal includes several courses; Italian antipasto, soup, salad, bread, a trio of pastas, you choose your main entrée and then desert. But that's not all! House wines are served all during dinner AND after dinner; there's cheese and fruit plus several bottles of varied liqueurs are placed on the tables. You can enjoy one or all (as much as you like).

The price is \$65 per person including tax and gratuity – a good deal when you consider the food is cooked fresh and the price includes all the wine and liqueurs.

While eating, Dominic is usually strolling around playing the accordion and singing Italian songs. Everyone can join in if you know the words or you can make a request! Mamma is also always there to welcome guests and sometimes to sit with you. I should also let you know that Mamma has her own cable TV show: Italian Cooking with Mamma – so she's a real celebrity.

<u>Seating is very limited so please call ASAP</u>. We will also need a deposit of \$20/person by the January Membership Meeting in order to hold your reservation. So why not make this your special Valentine's Day dinner?

Come out & join us for a fun time at Mamma's. I'm sure you will want to go back! Just ask anyone who has been there before!! It is an Eating Experience! Please call us if you would like to attend, have any questions, or need directions, etc. Joel and Sue Fellman, 215-969-0392. We hope you will join us!!

Bowling is Back

One of CCDV's special events! For the second year will be at the Lans-Bowl. Lans-Bowl is on 606 East Main Street in Lansdale. Michael Brigidi, CCDV member and co-owner of Lans-Bowl has arranged a special night for CCDV. This is going to be a night of fun.... Thanks Michael. I will need to know if you are going to attend before each event so Michael can reserve the number of lanes that will be needed. We will not have a December bowling night because of the Holidays, however it will be back bigger than ever on January 21st, February 18th and March 18thth. In April we will stop and return with cruise night at Pep Boys. You can call me, e-mail me www.ccdv.com in the Up-Coming Activities section. I hope to see as many members and guests as possible. Just ask those who have attended, how many laughs there are....



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- For Sale: 2003 Honda Rebel. Brand new, only 80 miles! Won best entry level bike award.

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 or best offer. Call Linda at 267-249-9056 or email at torchred98@msn.com
- For Sale: 2003 Anniv. Coupe 6-speed 7100 mi. incl. remainder of 1 year dealer warranty plus 5yr/50K bumper to bumper warranty, full Corsa performance exhaust (not Touring), K & N cold air intake, dual roofs available \$43,500 obo 856-264-6850 cell or 609-704-0822 home 08/05
- For Sale: 2003 Z06 Millennium Yellow, 5700 miles, never in rain or raced. Hurst shifter, Vara-Ram, carbon fiber duct, stainless steel duct screens still in boxes. 5 year/75K mile extended warranty. Asking \$37,500 obo. E-mail: iohnclipner@yahoo.com or call 267-577-0737 09/05
- For Sale: 1997 Corvette coupe only 9,700 miles, garage kept not driven in rain, like new, 6-speed manual, smoke glass top, torch red with black interior, stainless exhaust, Loaded \$26,000.00. Call Frank 215-356-8597 (see picture below).
- For Sale: 1966 Corvette convertible gorgeous, 1 owner, 2 tops, little use since restoration, # s match. Repainted orig ermine white w blue int, 327ci/350hp, M21-4-spd, 3.70 posi, well maintained, always garaged, excellent condition, 90% true originality, no major accidents, a showcar. Orig Chevy & dealer invoices, protecto-plate booklet, etc. \$79,500 OBO Call Roland 727-799-2960
- For Sale: 2002 Z06 Red with red leather interior, all stock, Heads up display, 8,700 miles, garage kept, perfect condition. Car cover included. Asking \$35,000 obo. Call Chris at 215-661-9580 North Wales PA
- For Sale: 1978 Corvette Silver Anniv, Auto Excel cond., new tires & brakes, full options, 77,000 mi. red leather interior (not restored). \$10,500. Call Joe Vittorio 630-243-8800 Lemont, IL 12/05



Please email Bob Rosenberg to list an automobile or related item that you wish to include in a future Gas Cap at: rar491@comcast.net.

These listings are for CCDV members and there is no charge.

Please note: listings will be removed after 3 months unless we are notified otherwise

Longwood Gardens Tour and Chadds Ford Tavern Dinner

Saturday, December 17th we are planning our second annual visit to Longwood Gardens to tour the Christmas display, then to dinner at Chadds Ford Tavern. With over 400,000 lights and over 40 miles of wiring covering 5 acres, Longwood Gardens boasts the largest Christmas display in the country. Some displays are inside; however the majority of them are outside.

We will meet in the parking lot at Bennigan's Restaurant on Route 611 by the PA Turnpike's Willow Grove exchange at 2 PM and caravan there together. Longwood is located near Kennett Square, PA, 42 miles and 1 hour from Willow Grove. Prices are \$15 adults, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 ages 6-15, under 6 free, tickets are purchased on-site. This trip is susceptible to the weather as it is mostly outside. If it is too cold or snowing the trip may be cancelled. Check the CCDV website or call me for a final update.

It is important to sign up if you plan to go to dinner with us as I need to give the restaurant a head count.

Call Don Terranova at 215-794-7393 to sign up, or you can simply reply to the posting at www.ccdv.com in Forums, Upcoming Activities & Events, Longwood Gardens Visit. When you sign up please let me know if you plan to join us for dinner at Chadds Ford.

2006 ATLANTIC CITY CAR SHOW AND CASINO BUS TRIP LESS THAN 10 SEATS LEFT - BETTER HURRY

Date: Saturday, February 25, 2006

Depart: K-Mart parking lot in Willow Grove by the Willow Grove Mall across from the

VFW at 9 AM SHARP

Arrive: Trump Plaza Casino Atlantic City 11 AM (From Trump Plaza it is a short walk to

the AC Convention Center where the car show is located)
Depart: Trump Plaza Casino Atlantic City at 7 PM SHARP

Arrive: Willow Grove K-Mart 9 PM

Ticket prices are \$20 per/person for the bus. You will receive \$8 to \$10 in chips from Trump Plaza Casino as well as a discount coupon for dining. More details on this event will be announced when available. Our discounted ticket price for the Car Show is \$15.00 per person, a \$5 savings.

If you are planning to go to the show but cannot join us on the bus trip you may still purchase show tickets at the \$15 discounted price. Also if you or your spouse would prefer spending the day at the casino and not the car show you can purchase a bus ticket alone.

To reserve your seat and show ticket you can get a check to me at our monthly meeting or e-mail me at dpterranova@yahoo.com. You can also mail a check to: Donald Terranova, 165 Equestrian Drive, New Hope, PA 18938.

January's Brunch

When: Sunday January 15, 2006
What time: 1:45 pm
Where: William Penn Inn
1017 DeKalb Pike, Gwynedd, PA 19436

CLICK HERE FOR DIRECTIONS

Established in 1714, the William Penn Inn is the oldest continuously operated country inn in Pennsylvania, and is dedicated to a tradition of fine hospitality. The price will be \$25 per person this includes tax and tips. This will be a buffet CLICKHERE to see the menu. Our monthly CCDV Roving Breakfast/Brunch is a very popular event and is normally attended by 36 to 40 club members. The restaurant has limited us to 40 people so act quickly. January's Brunch will be one of our finest. Our Roving Breakfast/Brunch are not meetings, they are social gathering. Come on out and have a nice time with your fellow club members. To visit the CCDV website CLICK HERE

To guarantee your seat please mail your check payable to: Ginny Wydominic before January 7, 2006

> Ginny Wydominic 120 Deer Run Road Perkasie, PA 18944

For more info you can e-mail Ginny at vwydominic@verizon.net or you can call Ginny at 215-453-7994

Going Racing (continued from page 6)

Special thanks go to Edgar for all the efforts and time he devotes to the Corvette Challenge. He is a dedicated racer and all around good guy.

If any member wants to try his/her hand at racing, you are welcome to come to any of the races and Team CCDV will give you all the advice and encouragement you'll need to have a good time. Next season's schedule should be up sometime in December and I'll post the dates in the next GC. If you want to see Corvette racing action at its best, log on to http://www.challengevideos.com/ and click away. If you go to the Corvette Challenge Home page at http://www.corvettechallenge.info/ you can find all the information on the series and write ups of the races.

Till next time!

Upcoming Events





Sat., Dececember 10th – CCDV Holiday Party. Note: There will be <u>no</u> General Membership meeting because of the Holidays.



Mon., Dececember 12th - CCDV Marksmen Night, at Classic Pistol - check the CCDV website or contact Bill Burkholder (afternoons only) at 215-343-5968 for information.



Saturday, December 17th – Longwood Garden tour & dinner at Chadds Ford Inn

Note: There will be no Bowling Night in December because of the Holidays



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WHEN:

Second Thursday of every month at 8:00

PM

WHERE:

VFW Post 3612 on Moreland Road (across from the Willow Grove, PA K-Mart)

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