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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ed Bonk



I would like to begin by hoping everyone had a great holiday and spent a lot of time with your families. I also want to wish everyone a happy New Year and hope everything works in your favor throughout the year.

I will begin my second year as President this month and I'm very much looking forward to it. I want to thank my Officers, Board Members, Chairpersons and every member for making 2005 a memorable one. We accomplished a lot and we made great strides in keeping this a "Premier" club. Next month I will list our accomplishments during the past year. I have every intention of keeping CCDV at this level as well as looking out for the best interest of the club and its members. I look at the makeup of CCDV as a "Tripod" infrastructure; Business, Entertainment, and Compassion (see page 14) and will continue to build on this.

Starting this month and continuing throughout the year, the Gas Cap will begin listing articles, pictures and tidbits of our Club's past. Our Club's Vice President and Historian, Joel Fellman will reach into our archives and list items of interest so we can reflect on the early years and what our past members did in keeping this club alive since 1958. We will begin recognizing our members who have longevity and helped keep this club together (see page 17).

December did not have many activities, but the Longwood Gardens trip and the Holiday Party were a lot of fun. At the Holiday Party, the DJ got some of us into a dancing mood and you would be surprised at how well some of the members can dance.

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President's message (continued from page 1)

A check for \$3000 was also presented to the Junior Diabetes foundation, one of the foundations we contribute to. We presented over \$12,000 dollars this year and that makes approximately \$300,000 in total CECF/CCDV has donated through the years. Great job to everyone who has worked hard to make this happen!

In January we have Bowling Night, Marksmen Night and the Roving Breakfast (which will be a brunch this time) at the William Penn Inn. For the January General Membership meeting I will not have a guest speaker, but we'll have an open forum to listen to the members and their thoughts on moving forward in 2006.

Looking ahead there are some big activities planned so remember to check the website to get the details.

Through the cold months just keep thinking that it won't be long before the warm weather arrives and we'll be riding in our cars and having fun.

I wish you and your family the best.

Ed

New GasCap Feature - "Who are you?"

We have many very interesting club members and we would like very much to know who you are and what you and your Corvette looks like. This is why we are creating a new feature in the Gas Cap. Answer the basic questions below; you can be as specific or vague as you wish, then attach a single photo of you standing next to your Corvette or Corvettes. We will publish as many in each Gas Cap as space permits.

1. Your name
2. Significant other's name
3. Children's names
4. Occupation
5. Town you live in
6. Years with CCDV
7. List your Corvette(s)
8. Hobbies or interests
9. Favorite club events
10. Anything you feel would be interesting

Please attach or send a photo with you (and your family, if desired) standing next to your Corvette(s). The easiest way to send the information would be via email, however you may also send a photo with the above information to: Donald Terranova, 165 Equestrian Drive, New Hope, PA 18938
I will scan the photo and send the information to Bob Rosenberg, our Gas Cap Editor.

PLEASE SPECIFY IF YOU PREFER TO HAVE YOUR LICENSE PLATE HIDDEN IN THE PHOTO

CCDV History - A Brief Look Back

I didn't get an opportunity to include any pictures this month, but that should change starting in the March Gas Cap. However, I will tell you some information most of you probably have never heard before.

Back in the late 50's and early 60's, during the USA's race for space, many of our country's NASA astronauts were Corvette enthusiasts. I suppose their Vettes helped them to satisfy their need for speed here on earth. One such fellow, named Alan Sheppard was an honorary CCDV member! In fact, we have photos of Alan receiving a CCDV logo plaque and sitting with Gordon Cooper and Don Morway (President of CCDV in 1961 and 1962) in Don's black '62 ragtop which proudly displayed another CCDV insignia.

I'll bring copies of those photos (as well as some others) to the January membership meeting along with some other early CCDV memoirs, including one of the very first Gas Caps plus the Club's minutes book which recorded all the Club's related matters: new members, Club activities, expenses, etc. from January 1962 to January 1975.

Additional CCDV members were Roger Penske and Mark Donohue, two more names I'm sure you all know.

As the Club's official Historian, I've been entrusted to retain these and several other precious items, which have proved to be invaluable when I explored and produced the Club's recorded history - which was actually a request from Bob Weiss when he was our Club President for three years during the mid-90s. From 1995 through 1998, I researched and documented the Club's history with some assistance from Tim Simmons, Bob Levin, Bob Fox and a few others. A new effort will be needed in order to update the history since 1998, but I hope to accomplish the task in time for CCDV's 50th Anniversary in December 2008.

Meanwhile, as requested by Ed Bonk, our current Prez, I will try to include more Club history information over the next several months. As always, if anyone has any questions about CCDV or has any information or statistics, old photos, Gas Caps, etc., please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,
Joel Fellman

Another Sunshine Dreamlift

On Tuesday, December 6, 2005, Dennis Trayes and I were again invited by the Sunshine Foundation and honored to assist with another one day Dreamlift from the Atlantic City Airport this time to Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida.

As proof that this is a long day, Dennis left his home at 3 AM, arrived at our place at 4 and we reached the airport by 5:30 AM (delayed somewhat by the snow Monday evening). By 6 AM the children began to arrive, before 7AM we were loading everyone onto the plane and we took off around 8AM. Shortly after 11 AM we were entering Universal and being greeted by several park characters. For the next 6 hours the kids haven't a care in the world. It is one day when they can forget about all their troubles and just be a kid (like Dennis and me). At 5:15 PM we left the park and headed back to the plane – always accounting for everyone to ensure no one gets left behind (whether they want to or not). Santa and his elves greeted everyone at the plane and by 10 PM we were back in AC. We reached our place by 11 PM and Dennis was home by midnight. Yes, a long but very rewarding day!

There were 80 children and around 40 to 50 caretakers (nurses, assistants, lifters and Sunshine organizers). As always, there were several wheelchair bound children. Once again some New Jersey State Troopers as well as a few U.S. Secret Service Agents joined us as lifters.

Besides carrying or assisting all the needy children along with their wheelchairs or other equipment on and off the planes and buses, etc., Dennis and I had the privilege of escorting Luke and Adam, two young boys in wheelchairs with Muscular Dystrophy. They were a joy to be with and made a day full of hard work a sheer pleasure! They thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The mostly sunny mid-60 degree temperature made for a perfect getaway from the freeze here in Philly. The boys were from one of six special needs schools located in southern New Jersey.

As always, we're hopeful that the Sunshine Foundation we will continue to keep us as regular helpers. The airlifts are proof that our CCDV donations are put to good use. The Club's \$5,000 contribution covered about one tenth of the cost for the entire day. This was the Sunshine's 80th Dreamlift and with support from great organizations like CCDV, we're sure there will be many more.

Joel Fellman

Going Racing

by Tony Buonassisi



I am a Corvette junkie. I love driving, working on, reading about, looking at and especially racing and pushing Corvettes to my limit. It has been 4 years since I began running the Corvette Challenge and in that time I've seen growth from a small group of cars to over 100 racers. In that time I've run my "stock" LT4 from 13.3's down into the 12.7's. The only real mod I've done other than changing over to a Hurst shifter, was adding 4.11 gears, and that was done simply to get the car to be more consistent. I had read about LT4's running 12's and I was bound and determined to get our 1996 Collector Edition into the 12's.

The first year running the Challenge was also a challenge for me as it sure wasn't the style of racing I used to do, back in the day. However it was fun to line up against another Vette in time trials and see who was faster. Four years ago the only mod on our car was the obligatory K&N filter and cut air lid to help breathing. Traction was limited because of the runflat tires that were on the car. Coming out of the hole was a real challenge and the choices were either come out soft (off idle) or come out spinning the tires at a controlled rate (hard to do). Now in bracket racing it is really more important to be consistent than fast. Eliminating wheel spin is one way to be more consistent, so the next year drag radials were put on. The car was running fairly consistently in the 13.10's to 13.30's depending on the time of year and track conditions. The Hurst shifter was also installed because I "really needed it".

Racing any car can take its toll, and the Corvette is no exception. In a car equipped with a manual transmission the consumable is the clutch and through the years I've had to put a few of them in with help from my wrenching buddies, Al Betz and Rose. In the year following, a set of wider drag radials were put on to help in my quest for the 12's. The wider tires didn't help and I seemed to be at a plateau that was just shy of the goal I had set for myself and the car. The only good thing was that I was more consistent than ever and I had a lot of runs to get my shifting down. The car was now running 13.0's in "good" air and 13.2's to 13.3's in the dog days of summer.

One problem that really bugged me with the car now was, if I "hooked" I wouldn't have to shift into third at the top end, but if I spun, even a little at the line, I would have to shift right at the finish line or hit the rev limiter. I naturally had to put a set of gears that would optimize my shifting and the cars potential. I put in a 4.11 gear set when it was time to do the clutch again, plus a set of QA1 adjustable shocks and went the greater part of the year learning how to launch the car. In the fall of 2004 I finally hit those elusive 12's. Anything faster than those high twelve's was like icing on the cake. I found the car could run 12.8's and 12.9's on a good day this past year and I ran her hard.

When we had a long break in September I decided to put in a set of performance plug wires. I really didn't expect much from that, as the original wires checked out good by GM's standards. Boy was I wrong! I was getting off the line well and not missing shifts and at the end of the season I ran a personal best of 12.745.

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The 600 HP, 4 speed race cars are capable of speeds up to 175+ MPH. We'll probably be limited to around 150 to 160+ MPH. They provide race suits, helmets, etc. or you can bring your own. The G-force acceleration and awesome exhaust sounds bring a smile to anyone who appreciates raw power!

We have openings for a few more members to attend, so please act fast. The cost is \$525 to drive 8 laps (20 miles) or \$109 to sit shotgun for 3 laps. Additional laps can also be purchased, if desired. Drivers receive instructions on the safety equipment, operation of the cars and track rules.

The best part is that all who sign up get the opportunity at the end of the day to **DRIVE THEIR CORVETTE** for a few laps **ON THE TRACK!!** They usually provide a pace car for us to follow single file, but we should reach speeds of 120+ on the straights. Newer or more powerful Vettes can probably go faster (especially if they lag behind a bit and then push it to catch up).

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact me ASAP as deposits are required and the balance must be paid in advance (probably sometime in March).

We'll probably meet at Bennigan's on Route 611 around 11 AM to caravan up and start instructions upon arrival at the track. We should start driving around 1:30 PM and take the Vettes out around 4:30 PM. This is an experience you won't soon forget!!

Thank you,
Joel Fellman – 215-467-3300 ext. 238 (weekdays) or 215-969-0392 (evenings)

Show Me the Show Money

At January's meeting we will be drawing 2 names and awarding \$100 to one person from each group of CCDV members who attended ***A Day at the Beach Corvette Style*** and the ***Peddlers Village Corvette Show***. This money was awarded at the two separate car shows for the most represented club. We felt that it would be only right to give this money back to those that were part of the show. For more information and list of the CCDV members eligible for the prizes, please see the November 2005 Gas Cap. It is not necessary to be present in order to win.

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Don and Kathie Conrad CCDV Trip Committee Leaders

CCDV is planning a road trip to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky for their C5/C6 Bash April 20th to April 22nd. The agenda for the C5/C6 Bash has been posted on the Corvette Museum website: www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/agenda.shtml. You can also call the NCM at 270-745-8019.

As there are many events being offered, please choose and register for those that interest you. This is the ala carte part of the trip, so be aware that most events have limited space available and don't procrastinate. The most important and interesting event is the plant tour, you should not miss that, so register for that as soon as possible to prevent being shutout. ***If you register for the plant tour Friday morning we can go as a group.***

We will be departing Tuesday morning, April 19th, which is a day earlier than previously posted. We will travel about 8 hours and spend the night, depart Wednesday morning for just outside of Bowling Green and spend the night at a hotel. We will spend Thursday through Saturday at the event, leaving Sunday morning for home, spending one night on the road and arriving home mid-afternoon on Monday. This part is up to the individual, if you wish to leave early and drive straight through, it's up to you.

Please note the departure change from Wednesday to Tuesday. After examining the events for Thursday, we realized how much we would miss by arriving late. We may have two groups with two depart dates (Tuesday and Wednesday) we will know more as we get closer to April.

The University Plaza – Bowling Green at 1021 Wilkinson Trace, Bowling Green, KY 42103, 270-745-0088 is eight miles from the NCM. According to the folks at NCM that this is the nicest hotel in town and it's where NCM houses their visiting VIPs. When you call 1-800-HOLIDAY you will reach the Holiday Inn reservation desk. Check in date will be Thursday, April 20th. We've reserved a room for 3 nights and will check out Sunday morning, April 23rd. When you make reservations this is very important **do not** get the advanced rate, these rates may be slightly cheaper, but they do not allow you to cancel. Reserve a room with **flexible rates**.

Flexible rates will allow you to cancel your reservation and receive a full refund as long as you do so before 6 PM on the date of your arrival. When you make the reservation have the Holiday Inn representative explain their cancellation policy to you and verify that you do have the option to cancel. Don't be left out in the cold, if you are even slightly interested in going on this trip, you would be wise to reserve a room as soon as possible, as it will cost you nothing if you decide not to go. The NCM website lists several alternative hotels if you need more choices.

Please contact Don and Kathie Conrad at 215-591-9862 or MiataKath@aol.com for any questions or comments.

Thank you, Don Terranova

CCDV TRIPOD INFRASTRUCTURE

In my President's message I referred to the club's "Tripod" infrastructure and its three components. I will expand on what I meant by this here. You might not have thought much about the Club's infrastructure, but when you look at the chart below it will explain what I mean when I say CCDV is a "Premier Club". There are three major components to this "Tripod": Business, Entertainment and Compassion. Below I break down these components and show the items that fall within them.

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- Dinners
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- Bowling
- Marksmen Night
- Picnic
- Holiday Party
Cavalcade Show
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CCDV President's Award
Assisting Members in Bereavement
St. Vincent's Orphanage Toy Run
Willow Grove Fantasy Flight for disabled and terminally ill children

When I look at the chart it gives me a great feeling to know that I'm part of an organization that has so many great members who are dedicated to things other than Corvettes. This is truly the best car club in the world.

Thanks everyone, Ed

Sunday, January 15, 2006 at 1:45 PM

The William Penn Inn - 1017 DeKalb Pike, Gwynedd, PA 19436

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 tip. This will be a buffet. Our 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. Why not attend and have a nice time with your fellow club members?

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

Mail to: Ginny Wydominic, 120 Deer Run Road, Perkasie, Pa 18944

For more information you can e-mail Ginny at: vwydominic@verizon.net or you can call Ginny at 215-453-7994. There is also a posting and sign up list on the club website in forums/upcoming events/January's Brunch.

Insurance 101

Okay you finally got the car you have always wanted. You have been using the same insurance company for years. All you need to do is call him and tell him you bought a new car and that's it, right? Wrong, maybe!

You may want to give some thought as to the type of policy to purchase for that Vette whether it's a new C6 or a classic. There are two basic policies out there to choose from:

1. **Actual Cash Value.** Blue Book value. This type is used by most everyday cars.
2. **Agreed Value.** Insurance policies that guarantee you'll get all of your money back in the event of loss. There is no depreciation of the car's value with an agreed Value Policy. Most Collector cars have stable values and slowly depreciate. The monthly premium is usually less than an Actual Cash value policy.

So what, as long as I'm insured who cares, right? Let me give you an example, you have a '98 Vette with 75,000 miles. It's in perfect shape; as a matter of fact you take it to car shows and sometimes take home a trophy. You spend more money on Zaino each year than you care to admit. Here comes the bad news, it gets stolen never to be seen again, no problem you have insurance. The insurance appraiser questions you about your car and you tell him how it was 110% perfect. You show him pictures and the trophies. He pulls out his Kelley Blue Book and tells you it's a seven year old Chevy with 75,000 miles on it. We'll give you \$13,450 minus the \$500 deductible. Of course you think he's kidding, well he's not. You begin kicking and screaming and they finally admit it was a special car and they say "Okay, we'll give you an additional \$1,800". That will happen only if you are a good kicker and screamer. It's still not close to the right number, but it's as good as it gets.

On the other hand let's say you have the Agreed Value policy. The insurance company recognized that your car is special. You agreed on a vehicle value of lets say \$28,000 before you signed the policy. The car is gone and you get the \$28,000 minus the \$500 deductible. No kicking, no screaming.

Sounds too good to be true, huh? It works! There are some things to be aware of. Some insurance companies have mileage restrictions, night driving and all have a no racing policy. The company I use, Sneed, Robinson and Gerber, Inc. has no mileage restrictions; they will accept all Corvettes regardless of year. You can drive it at night and even to work occasionally. They do require you to keep it garaged while at home. There are many companies out there that offer this type of insurance, Grundy, Hagerty, Whitney just to name a few. Shop around until you find the one that works best for you.

One final thought, I'm a strong believer in the saying "If it's sounds too good to be true, it probably isn't". I asked the folks at Sneed how and why they would give me a policy with a bigger pay off with a cheaper premium. They told me that people with collectable cars file very few claims and are very low risks. This made sense to me. Just for the record, I am not in the insurance business and I have no ties to any insurance companies other than sending them a monthly check.

Don Terranova

LOOK Buy Sell Trade

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: johnclipner@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). 11/05

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 11/05

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 11/05

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.**

Momma Maria's Restorante Italiano

Saturday, February 11, 2006

1637 East Passyunk Avenue in South Philadelphia

Join Joel and Sue Fellman at a South Philly landmark known for several course meals and fine house wine served all during dinner. The price is \$65 per person including tax and gratuity, a good deal considering the freshly cooked food and the wine and liqueurs are included. Seating is very limited, so please call ASAP. We will need a deposit of \$20 per person by the January General Meeting. Why not include this special dinner in your Valentine's Day plans?

Please contact Joel and Sue Fellman at 215-969-0392 to add your name to the list or to answer your questions.

SCCA PDX- Run the Pocono Long Course - June 16th

Come drive your Vette on the Pocono course that SCCA races are run on; clockwise with the chicane at the end of Long Pond Straight. Prices and details will be posted at www.PhillySCCA.com in January. PDX=Performance Driving Experience. Drive the track at speed with your private SCCA instructor.

Three run groups: novice, intermediate and experienced. Mandatory classroom sessions and instructor for novice and intermediate drivers until signed off.

Lots of track time. You can run Friday, Saturday or both days. Tech inspection at site. Convertibles must have an approved roll bar. Snell SA 2002 or 2005 approved helmet required. Lots of high-speed driving fun!!!

For questions: Contact Frank Gonzalez (gonzalezfj@cs.com) or 215-643-5968.

Lifetime Members

As part of the appreciation for our club's history, a decision was made at the November Board meeting to recognize individuals who reach the twenty-five year mark as a member of CCDV. A person will be given a lifetime membership if they have been a member of CCDV for twenty-five consecutive years. Our Membership Chairperson Allan Kramer searched our database and found fourteen members who immediately fell within these guidelines. I want to congratulate those members who are listed below for your dedication and commitment in keeping this club together through out the years. If I missed someone please e-mail me so I can look into the matter.

Lifetime Member	Joined	Lifetime Member	Joined
Bob Levin	1960	Lance/Chip Miller	1960
Dave Peterson	1963	Jim Scaffidi	1970
Ted Popek	1972	Tim Simmons	1973
Dennis Traves	1975	Stuart Cerato	1977
Joel Fellman	1976	Don Lemek	1976
Bill Huey	1977	John Gillin	1978
Carl Haeussler	1978	Dave Harp	1980

Going Racing (continued from page 6)

Not bad for a car with 54,000 miles on it and the driver with more miles than I care to admit! What really amazes me is this car. The car has always been right from the first day we bought it. The car has been to the highest mountain in the Northeast (Mt. Washington in New Hampshire) and to Key West in the Florida Keys and has been a real pleasure to drive. To me there are very few things that can compare to the feeling when I'm hammering the gears and hearing the LT4 motor spin up to 6,300 rpm.

Hope all of you had a great Holiday Season!

Want to come play with us at the track? Get all the Official rules, applications and updates (video, pictures and articles) on the Corvette Challenge at <http://www.corvettechallenge.info/>.

Contact me, Tony Buonassisi, if you have any questions, comments or news at 215-343-5552 or grbngrs@comcast.net.

Longwood Gardens Trip is a Big Success

On Saturday, December 17th twenty-eight of us went to Longwood Gardens for the annual Christmas display. We had great weather; just cold enough to remind us it's almost winter.

The display was fantastic and as usual, the inside display is acclaimed as one of the best in the country. I don't think anyone could dispute that. The outside display was equally impressive. The time spent to create it must be staggering. There are pictures on the www.ccdv.com website; however photos do not do the display justice. You have to see it in person to really appreciate it. After the show we had dinner at the Chadds Ford Tavern in a semi private banquet room. This has become an annual CCDV event. If you have never seen it, plan to go with us next year.

Don Terranova



Upcoming Events



Monday, January 9th - CCDV Marksmen Night, at Classic Pistol - check the CCDV website or contact Bill Burkholder (afternoons only) at 215-343-5968 for information.

Thursday, January 12th – General Membership Meeting, VFW in Willow Grove, PA at 8:00 PM.

Sunday, January 15th – Roving Breakfast at William Penn Inn – see page 14.

Saturday, January 21st - Bowling Night – Lans-Bowl at 606 East Main Street in Lansdale, PA. For information check the website or contact Bill Burkholder at: wburkholder4@comcast.net or 215-343-5968 (afternoon and evening only).

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WHEN:

Second Thursday of every month at 8:00
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WHERE:

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

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