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2000 Pewter Convertible

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ed Bonk



Despite some questionable days concerning the weather, the month of July was quite eventful and a lot of fun. Let me start with the July 4th Oreland, PA parade. Despite the early morning bad weather, the parade went on. What a parade it was. I estimated over 6,000 people lined the streets, either sitting on curbs, chairs, the lawn or stood waving to the 36 Corvettes that were in the parade. The houses, people and even the pets were decorated in Red, White and Blue and waving American flags. Happy little children picked up the candy we threw out to them and a lot of the residents yelled nice car or thanked us for being the parade. This is as American as "Motherhood and Apple Pie".

After the parade we were graciously extended an invitation to go back to the Oreland Fire House for free hot dogs and refreshments. The club and its members want to personally thank **Dan Supplee**, who is the Oreland Fire Commissioner and a member of CCDV for his warm hospitality. I'm already looking forward to next year.

Other events included the monthly roving breakfast at **Calloways** and afterward a special tour of CCDV Member, **Doc Bresler's** car museum and children's dental office tour. This children's dentist office is not like the average office as it has over 20 child size dental chairs, walls smartly lined with children's decorations and flat screen TVs showing movies like "Cars". The car museum was just as awesome.

Cruise night was a success at the Lowe's in Warrington and what a beautiful night for a car show. This was our first night at Lowe's and I would estimated approximately 175 to 200 beautiful cars were on display throughout the night. The camaraderie between everyone there is excellent and I want to give a special thanks to **Don Terranova** for coordinating the arrangement at Lowe's and all the helpers who sell 50/50 tickets, pretzels and soda for always being pleasant as well as volunteering their time.

There were also two Corvette Challenges this month and our guys are doing well. Our web-site on-line calendar is now listing non-CCDV car events which help worthy causes as well as ones just for your entertainment.

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August Birthdays



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| 4 | Andrew Lapihuska | | Narin Lapihuska |
| | Shirley Vaughters | 20 | Joe Signore |
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Do not e-mail "WebGuy" as he only handles the technical aspects of the website. You can also e-mail any questions that you have regarding CCDV to Bill. He will re-direct the e-mail to the proper chairperson who will be able to assist in resolving issues promptly.

President's message (continued from page 1)

At the General Membership meeting I presented the first 2007 semi-annual **President's Award** to **Rose Ferrante** for her efforts the last ten years (page 6).

For August we have our annual CCDV picnic at the VE club on the 4th with a rain date of the 5th. As of this writing we have approximately 60 people signed up and are expecting approximately 100 members in total. This is a great opportunity to meet our Club members and have a great time as well. Also the picnic area is a lot of fun for children to play on, as well as a large pool which is filled with spring water. I highly recommend coming to this event and definitely bring the children.

Other activities include **The Cruise to Quaker Steak & Lube with Becky's Drive-In** to follow (page 5) and our monthly **Cruise Night**. Also there is the **Corvettes at Carlisle** show at the end of the month in which I was invited back again to join in the celebrity luncheon. I will also be in Saturday night's parade which starts at the fairgrounds and ends in the center of Carlisle where there is a lot of activity going on. As you can tell I love parades, especially when I'm driving my Corvette in them. And we will have a tent this year for us to meet along with refreshments.

If weather permits, the General Membership meeting will be an abbreviated one because of the members wanting to spend time in the parking lot and talking with other members before the summer ends. Because of our by-laws I must report on certain items, so I will conduct the meeting inside, but no longer than ten to fifteen minutes. There will be food appropriate to a barbeque so it will make it more enjoyable when we are outside.

Don Terranova our Activities Chairperson and **Pete Carroll** our Finance Officer will be relinquishing their roles at the end of the year. Both positions have voting rights and if you have an interest in stepping into these roles please contact me. This is a great opportunity to have a voice in our club matters and help to keep this club premier.






And finally, ticket sales for the raffle car are going well and should you want to buy or sell tickets contact Stan O'Leary (215-672-6361) or myself. If you sell nine you get the tenth free. You can see the car on the Club's web site.

I wish you and your family the best.

Ed

Upcoming Events



-  **Saturday, August 4th – CCDV Picnic, VE Club, rain date Sunday, August 5th**
-  **Thursday, August 9th – General Membership Meeting**
-  **Sat., Aug. 11th – Cruise to Quaker State Lube Rest. & Becky's Drive-In – see page 5**
-  **Monday, August 13th - CCDV Marksman Night - contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or wburkholder4@comcast.net**
-  **Saturday, August 18th – Cruise Night at Lowe's in Warrington – see page 16**



Corvettes at Carlisle on Friday, Saturday & Sunday, August 24-26

Going Racing

by Tony
Buonassisi



With two races in the beginning of July we were kept busy, but the long layoff between the Challenge races really hurt some of us that didn't get a chance to run at other venues.

The first race in July, held on the 7th was hot, as the temperature reached 90, but no rain. Doug Berezcki went the furthest in rounds, getting to the fourth. He has a spot in the top ten so far and is really running his numbers. Vince Pileggi came out with his car and ran well. There is still some tuning to be done, but despite that he was running strong in the eighth mile. He was shutting down at the eighth to avoid getting kicked off because of no roll cage.

The second race in July, held on the 14th, was a carbon copy of the first race in July, weather wise. Ellis Gray made it to the fifth round, getting beat by .03; tough one EI. Joe Signore's car has been running well and he has taken out some heavy hitters, right Jerry?

The three CCDV teams are not faring well this year as the top CCDV team, led by Rob Farley, is in fifth place in the team standings. Devon Bole's team, Devon's Demons, would be in last place if it weren't for the Mad Dawgs. We hope to shake the first round loses and score some big points before the end of the season and climb out of the cellar. What makes it hard for the CCDVers, is we find ourselves running each other in rounds because there are so many of us. It's always hard running against friends.

Running in brackets is all about being consistent and you have to keep that going the whole year or you're not going to get into the money rounds. Some of the most consistent cars in the Club, are owned by Ellis, Doug, Farley, and Ron Lynch. Even if the driver falters the cars do not. What has plagued some of us is our cars not performing the same in every race. With sometimes only two time trials it is hard to dial-in when there is such a huge difference in runs. There are measures you can take to try to get the car to run the same every run. Checking tire pressures, racing at the same coolant and tranny temp, doing the same burnout routine every time, all help to make the car run the same every time. The starting line crew plays a big part in how well you do and E-town's starting crew has come a long way since the beginning of the season. Keeping the water box wet and cleaning the burnout box of chunks of rubber all help to keep the cars running consistent. Modifying our cars is a part of the Corvette experience we seem to enjoy, but any mod, performance mods that is, can and usually does impact the car to make it different than what you've been used to racing. It will take time to get use to the car again and that sometimes can be very painful.

I've been asking myself lately about the whole concept of drag racing; its pros and cons. Why do I enjoy going to race in the heat of summer and the cold of March and November. I race because I enjoy, really enjoy, going fast. I enjoy it when everything comes together and I get a great run. I enjoy the sounds of the car as it races down the track. I enjoy trying to cut good lights and I enjoy winning. I enjoy being with friends and fellow Corvette enthusiast and racing against them. I think the thing I enjoy most is becoming a part of the car and knowing what to expect and when to expect it. Not only knowing that something isn't right, but why it isn't right. I still have a way to go before I feel as comfortable racing in the '06 as I did in my '96, but putting more races under my belt should make that happen.

The East Coast Show and Go will be at E-town on August 4th. Gates open at 9:00 AM. If you are planning to go, please visit our forum site at www.ccdv.com for updates or announcements. The next Challenge race will be on September 1st. Gates will open at 8:30 AM. Again visit our website for more information.

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



Dinner and a Movie

Dinner and a Movie



On **Saturday, August 11th** we will be caravanning behind Dennis and Debbie Traves from the Giant Supermarket parking lot, 760 Route 113 in Souderton, PA to the Quaker Steak and Lube Restaurant in Bloomsburg, PA www.quakersteakandlube.com. This is 130 miles one way. After dinner we will caravan to Becky's Drive-In Theatre www.beckysdi.com in Walnutport, PA. We won't know until the week before what movies are showing at Becky's, but they have two screens with a double feature on each. If you want to caravan to the restaurant and not the drive-In or skip the restaurant and head straight to the drive-In, that's fine, we'll see you there. However if you're in for the whole nine yards here are the details:

Saturday, August 11, 2007

We will depart from the Giant supermarket parking lot at approximately 1:00 PM

Arrive at Quaker Steak Restaurant around 3:00 PM

Dine from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Depart the restaurant by 5:00 PM

Arrive at Becky's Drive-In Theatre by 6:00 PM.

You must sign up for this event to reserve a seat at the restaurant. To sign up, e-mail or call Don Terranova before August 9th at dpterranova@yahoo.com or 215-794-7393.

What is Cruise Night?



For those members of CCDV who are not familiar with CCDV Cruise Nights, here's a quick explanation: once a month on every third Saturday from 5 PM to 9 PM, from April to October at the Lowe's parking lot on Street and Easton Roads (Routes 132 and 611) in Warrington.

We sell pretzels, soda and water and we have a 50/50 raffle, trophies and door prizes, which finances the full cost of the Cruise Night, at no cost whatsoever to the Club and allows us to operate without an admission fee.

Cruise night is open to everyone so don't be surprised if your Corvette has a Ford Model T parked on your left and a 1959 Cadillac on your right. Be sure to bring a folding chair in order to take a break from walking around looking at all the cars that will be on display. It's a great inexpensive evening. We hope you can make it to the next Cruise Night on August 18th.

Don

2007 CCDV Semi-Annual President's Award

Early in 2005 I asked the Board to allow me to present a form of recognition to any member whose contributions, enthusiasm and commitment to the Club was at the highest level. Throughout the year we continually give recognition through verbal or written communication such as a simple thank you or a physical means such as a trophy, but I was looking at this at a different echelon. Realizing we are a premier club and such an award is warranted, the Board approved the idea. I named it the **CCDV President's Award** and wanted it presented on a semi-annual basis because of the number of people who participate in our Club activities past or present. I felt the award should have no boundaries such as what year the recognition was deserved, how many years someone is a member or the type, level or number of activities. But this would not be your average type of award, as it would require hard work and a significant contribution to our club and its members. The award stands 10 inches tall, has a contemporary design and made of blue acrylic with white lettering.

The first 2007 recipient of this semi-annual award was **Rose Ferrante** at July's General Membership meeting. Her contributions and efforts as a member for the last ten years have been overwhelming. Since joining the club she has played so many roles in either helping other Club members or just contributing her time to many activities.

One example of her unselfish contributions was when I was the Chairperson for the Annual CCDV Holiday party for four years. Each year Rose, as well as her daughter, would go to the VFW in Warminster very early Sunday morning, long before the members arrived, to help decorate. They would carry a canister of helium with them and blow up hundreds of red and green balloons for decorations and archways through out the hall which enhanced the Christmas atmosphere.

For years Rose would step up and call new members and welcome them to the Club as well as sit at the new member table on our meeting nights and make them feel comfortable. The last few years Rose has played a significant role on many Saturdays with our CCDV Corvette racing team by helping and cheering them on all day long. And the last couple of years she helped lead the efforts of our club in working with the Montgomery County Heath Department to put on our annual SADD conference.

The Club wants to give something back to the community and help to save student lives and her efforts made this happen. The meetings prior to the conference went on for months which required a lot of her time. Should you see Rose in passing please congratulate her on these efforts put forth to our club and its members.

For your information in **2005 Don Terranova** and **Joel Fellman** were the recipients of the semi-annual award. In **2006 John Tambourine** and **Dennis Trayes** were the recipients of this award.

Dennis Winokur



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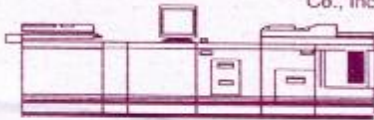
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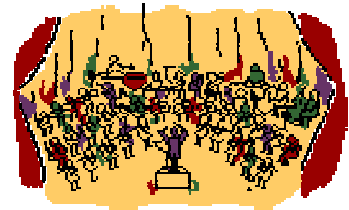
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Thank you, Dave Peterson.

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I was having a conversation at the July Cruise Night at Lowe's with one of our members and he had a great suggestion. He suggested that we put a call out for any CCDV musicians to see if they might wish to perform at our monthly Cruise Nights. I think that's a great idea. Keep in mind this is in the earliest stage of planning, I would have to discuss having music with the folks at Lowe's and we have the issue of no electricity to resolve.

However before I go any further I figure the first step would be to find a musician or musicians that may be interested. Keep in mind we are non-profit we do not charge for admission and Cruise night is once a month from 5 PM to 9 PM. If anyone out there is interested call Don Terranova at 215-794-7393 or email Don at dpterranova@yahoo.com .

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JULY 19, 2007 CCDV BOARD MEETING

The Activities Committee is beginning to put together a dinner caravan to Ocean City. Everyone agreed that the Corvette Roundup was a success and Don Terranova agreed to run the event next year. The Board agreed to have Don Terranova donate the leftover T-shirts from the Corvette Roundup back to Becky's Drive-In to have them give-away/sell. The First Annual "Corvettes for Chip" Car Show will be held in honor of Chip Miller supporting various charities. The organizers of that show would like CCDV to sponsor a Slow Drag competition at the event.

MOTION: by Tony Buonassisi to approve \$125.00 for CCDV sponsorship of the trophies for the slow drag event.

SECONDED by Bill Burkholder
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Dennis is asking for suggestions for a location to have the club picnic the day after the 50th Anniversary party.

Eleven new membership application(s) were received. The new candidate(s) are:
Bill Darmofal, Bob Dunlap, Tom Grunewald, Kyle Keller, Joshua Roberts, Dave Rocchi, Ron Small, Paul Tucci, Christian Valin, Edward Hilland and Ruthann Hilland.

MOTION: by Bob Weiss to approve the new membership applications.

SECONDED by Bill Burkholder
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Total membership stands at 567 members including the above new members.

Approximately \$13,000.00 has been turned in for raffle tickets sold thus far.

The show was a GREAT success! We had 124 Corvettes entered in the show. John Tambourine his committee are being proactive and looking at several improvements to the judging process. The Cavalcade committee is already working on flyers for circulation early this fall.

MOTION: by Rose Ferrante to reimburse John Tambourine \$90 for the restaurant bill.

SECONDED by Bill Burkholder
VOTE: YES=8, NO=3, ABSTAIN=1

s per the motion below, Henry Weikel secured a vendor spot for Corvettes at Carlisle for the club to use as a gathering place.

MOTION: by Ed Bonk to approve CCDV having a 2007 Corvettes at Carlisle flea market spot at a cost not to exceed \$200.00.
SECONDED BY Bob Weiss
VOTE: YES=11, NO=1, ABSTAIN=2



Buy - Sell - Trade

For Sale: 2001 Mil Yellow Coupe with 28,000 miles 409HP@FW 368@RW custom interior, custom paint (M-Y ghost flames) two tops, 3.42 performance axle with titanium shafts, bilstein high performance suspension with heavy duty sway bars, BBK 80mm throttle body & custom air coupler (flow 1030CFM) Baer crossed drilled brakes, Corsa Pro exhaust with high flow cats, B Cool aluminum radiator with 160 thermostat, SLP stage 4 super flow , SLP stage 4 super flow wndyn software asking \$30,000 Contact Tony at aplescha@aol.com 06/07

For Sale: set of hi-performance Magna-Flow mufflers w special exhaust tips & pipes attached from 2003 C5, \$400 e-mail: DLevitt1111@comcast.net, 215-295-8187(office) or 215 932-5099 (cell) 06/07

For Sale:

- 1) 2000 C5 wheels and tires. Only 5,000 miles on tires and wheels. In great condition. \$600.00
- 2) Corvette Black Grand Sport Wheels. Front size 17 x 9.5, rear size 17 x 11 with Kumho V700 tires, 275x40 Fronts and 315x17 rears. Used for autocrossing. \$500.00
- 3) 1" Rear Hotchkis C5 sway bar with spherical bearing ends. \$250.00
- 4) WCC Power Duct for 97-2000. Part #11107767. Never installed. New in Box. \$100.00
- 5) A&A Corvette Specialties C5 Front End Frame Savers. Part #AA-103-SC. Orig. \$59.95. New in Box \$40.00
- 6) American Custom Industries. C5 Front Spoiler Part #ASF700 painted light metallic Pewter. Installed on car for one year and removed. \$250.00
- 7) American Custom Ind. C5 Ground Effect Rocker Panels Part #AGK600. New never installed. \$275.00
- 8) Specter Werkes Sports C5 GTR Front Spoiler. New in box. \$375.00
- 9) Suburban 2002 wheels 16" stock aluminum wheels. \$200.00
- 10) Corvette Z06 Rear Brake Ducts, new in box. \$175.00
- 11) American Mag Wheels 15" dia x 10" wide. Used on 1972 Corvette for autocrossing. \$125.00

Any reasonable offer will be considered. Contact Bob Kingston phone 215-369-4359. Leave message time to call back. e-mail address is robert.kingston@verizon.net. 07/07

For Sale: 1939 Ford 2 dr sdn deluxe (street rod) 350/350, 8" rear, front disks, tilt, frame off, no rust. This is a dune car in great cond. Asking \$33,000 contact Frank 215-646-9394 or fking4@verizon.net. 05/07

For Sale: 2002 Pontiac Trans Am, Ram Air WS6 Conv, Auto trans. Black ext w/ tan int & black top. 1 of 330 built. One owner with 3,300 original miles. PHS history, factory window sticker and original bill of sale. Pristine condition \$30,900. Contact Dennis Winokur 215-771-3030 05/07

For Sale: 2003 Z06 Corvette, 50th Anniversary, black on black, chrome Z06 wheels, only 5,300 miles, always garage kept, \$ 36,000 Contact Jim Greene at 215-651-2625 or jjimjr@jhgrene.com 06/07

For Sale: Set of 4 wheels for 1993 C4. 15000 mi. Excellent cond. \$600. Call Nick Scull 215 657-0784 07/07

For Sale: 1999 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail. Lots of chrome, 32,800 miles. Asking \$12K or best offer. Call Bob 215-881-9581 07/07

For Sale: A set (2 front, 2 rear) of C5 disc brake rotors. They have never been resurfaced, are flat and run true, \$100.00. Call Frank @ 215-766-0114. 08/07

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