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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*by Ed Bonk*



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

I'm very much looking forward to starting my third year as President and I want to thank my Officers, Board Members, Chairpersons and every member for making 2006 memorable. In 2006 we accomplished a lot as a club and made great strides as well as significant changes to keep CCDV a **premier club**. In 2007 I have every intention of keeping CCDV at this level as well as ensuring the best interests of the club and its members are met.

A few of the changes were quite significant, for example:

- 1) Our General Membership meeting location has changed
- 2) Our Annual Car show changed from a two day venue to one day
- 3) Our Annual Car show location changed
- 4) Our Holiday party location changed
- 5) A first time community event that CCDV co-sponsored with the Montgomery County Health Department and the event also included the Philadelphia Police Department and approximately 50 local high schools to promote safe driving and the non use of alcohol and drugs.

Additionally, I look at the makeup of CCDV as a "Tripod" infrastructure; Business, Entertainment, and Compassion (page 6) and will continue to build on this in 2007.

The month of December did not have many activities; however the holiday party, held at the **Buck Hotel** was a lot of fun. About one hundred people attended.

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# January Birthdays



- |                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Andie Fischer    | 17 Debbie Trayes      |
| Patti Landes       | 20 Gina Bresler       |
| 2 Joel Fellman     | 21 Ronald Donatucci   |
| Billie Satchell    | Toby Levin            |
| 3 Michael Davis    | 22 Nancy Barwig       |
| LuAnn Catinella    | Constance Etherton    |
| Lucy Rhoda         | 24 Jeanne Pfaff       |
| Alexis Washnock    | Tim Quintrell         |
| 4 Ellis Gray       | 25 Jacques Etkowicz   |
| 6 Dennis Trayes    | John Fruncillo        |
| 7 Dennis DiSario   | Robert Miller         |
| Don Forte          | 26 Joe Gallagher, Jr. |
| Pat Lima           | Charles Kelly         |
| 8 Doug Leatherman  | 27 Vincent Pileggi    |
| 9 Linda Davis      | Kevin Rogers          |
| Sue Kellner        | Gina Burke            |
| 10 Tom Donatucci   | 28 Todd Struse        |
| 11 Mark Dash       | 29 Alan Davis         |
| Tom McKeone        | 30 Tony Buonassisi    |
| David Wilner       | Ted DeLeone           |
| 12 Stephanie Clegg | James Fischer         |
| 14 Sarkis Tashjian | Ronald Landes         |
| 15 Maryann Fisher  | Ken Laver             |
| Ferri Householder  | Don Terranova         |

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Do not e-mail "WebGuy" as he now 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 beginning of the party **Bob Weiss, Jeff Hey** and I presented a \$4000 check to the **Sunshine Foundation** and a \$3000 check to the **Juvenile Diabetes Foundation**, two of the foundations we annually contribute to. We presented over \$14,000 dollars this year and that makes it approximately \$314,000 in total **CECF/CCDV** contributions has donated through the years. Great job to everyone who has worked hard to make this happen! After dinner the DJ got some of us into a dancing mood and you would be surprised at how well some of the members can dance. Also this month some members raced at Atco and did very well with their cars.

On a different type of activity, **Brian Lutz**, the son of one of our members, entered an internet voting contest sponsored by Bosch and Primedia that also included judges from Primedia. His car is a 1969 Indigo Blue Chevy Nova, 540 big block with 930 HP. He won the grand prize, three days in Daytona, FL with tickets to the Daytona 500 and a professional photo shoot of his car that will appear in an upcoming issue of one of Primedia's magazines. You might have seen his car in our annual Cavalcade show as he is a big supporter of our club. Brian, congratulations on your win.

In January we brought back an activity from a few years ago, Arnold's Go Karting (page 13). One of our newer members, Denise Bersch wanted to get involved with the club and helped to initiate this activity. A group of us did this in the past and it was a lot of fun racing the Go Karts indoors.

The January guest speaker will be Dennis Winokur of Alan's Collision Center.

I wish you and your family the best.

*Ed*

## Upcoming Events



**Weds, Jan 10<sup>th</sup>** Go-Karting at Arnold's – contact Don Terranova 215-794-7393 (page 13)



**Thurs, Jan 11<sup>th</sup>** General Membership Meeting – VE Club, 130 Davisville Rd., Warminster, PA



**Sat, Feb 24<sup>th</sup>** Atlantic City Car Show and Bus Trip – see page 5 for additional information.

**Happy New Year**

# Going Racing

by Tony  
Buonassisi



Here's hoping everyone had a safe and happy Holiday Season!

First, I'd like to welcome any new members to the Club and invite them to either come out to race or watch any of the competitive racing events that are scheduled for 2007.

CCDV has deep roots in Auto Cross/Road Race. Several auto cross events were held at the old Johnsville Naval Air Station in Warminster this past year and attended by several of our members.

Auto Cross Solo II involves driving your car around a course laid out with traffic cones in a big area, like a parking lot. You compete in different classes based on the kind of car you drive and the modifications that been done to the car. There are strict guidelines for modifications for the different classes and you must adhere to them to be able to race. We've had several champions in the Auto X from CCDV. "Skeets" Mariano held the national title for several years before moving on to the Road Course series. Frank Gonzales is one of the best auto cross drivers in this area and has competed at the national level several times. Frank is willing to help anyone interested in autocross "Solo II". Don and Kathie Conrad, successful racing husband and wife team, are also in CCDV. Seek out those members if you'd like to try your hand at Auto Cross. It's a fun and safe way to spend a day "driving" your Vette. Races are held at several places throughout the area. You can find more information on the web at [www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com).

Some of our members like to take their Vettes to track days at the major road racing courses in the area. At these events you get to drive your car at high speed on tracks that the pros race on. High speed events such as these are usually only held a couple of times a year and there is a class that one must complete before you're allowed to go out on the course. Watch our forum website, at [www.ccdv.com](http://www.ccdv.com) for details and dates of events that may come up throughout the year.

Last, and close to my heart is drag racing. The Corvette Challenge is a series of ten races held from early spring through fall at Englishtown's Raceway Park in New Jersey. CCDV is also one of the sponsors of the series. Last year's champion was fellow Club member Rob Farely. Rookie of the Year was won by Devon Bole, also of CCDV. It is no small feat to get to those finishes as the series has some of the best drivers and cars on the East Coast. We not only compete in the Challenge but also other local events as well as national events, when they are held close enough to our area. Several of the members have also competed at other drag strip events and usually come home with first or second place finishes. The Corvette Challenge Club Challenge Cup was won by CCDV's Racing Team for the fourth time this past year. For more information on the Challenge visit <http://www.corvettechallenge.info/> on the web.

A Club the size of CCDV has many interest and events throughout the year. We hope you take advantage of some of these events to get familiar with the Club, its members and most importantly your Corvette.

You can contact me at [grbngrs@comcast.net](mailto:grbngrs@comcast.net) or my phone 215-343-5552 if you have any questions regarding the Challenge or who to contact for other types of racing.

# Atlantic City Car Show and Bus Trip

## WE STILL HAVE SOME SEATS LEFT

**Date:** Saturday, February 24, 2007

**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 at 11 AM *(Trump Plaza is a short walk to the car show at the AC Convention Center)*

**Depart:** Trump Plaza Casino, Atlantic City at 5 PM SHARP

**Arrive:** Willow Grove K Mart at 7 PM

CCDV is running a bus trip to the Atlantic City Car show. There are a limited number of seats available, first come, first served, so reserve a seat soon. Last year we ran out of seats, so please don't procrastinate.

Bus seats are going for \$18 per seat. We usually receive \$8 to \$10 in chips from Trump Plaza Casino as well as a discount coupon for dining. More details on this will be announced when they are available.

Our discounted ticket price for the Car Show is \$15 per person, a \$5 savings if you were to buy them at the gate.

If you are planning to go to the show, but can not join us on the bus trip, you may still purchase show tickets at the \$15 discounted price. You can purchase discounted tickets until February 10, 2007.

We are planning to get together for dinner after we get back to Willow Grove more details about this will be available in the January Gas Cap if you are interested in doing this.

If you wish to go, send a check made payable to **CCDV** to:



**Don Terranova**  
165 Equestrian Drive  
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**At this time I will be accepting checks  
from all the people that have signed up  
for the trip on the CCDV website.**





## CCDV TRIPOD INFRASTRUCTURE

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

### BUSINESS

General Membership Meetings  
Board Meetings  
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- On-Line Club store, Car & parts sales, membership  
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### ENTERTAINMENT

General Activities  
- Roving Breakfast  
- Brunches  
- Dinners  
- Caravans  
- Bowling  
- Marksmen Night  
- Picnic  
- Holiday Party  
Cavalcade Show  
Racing  
Cruise Nights  
Auto Cross  
Car Shows

### COMPASSION

Charitable Donations  
- Juvenile Diabetes Foundation  
- Sunshine Foundation  
- St. Mary's Home for Teens  
- Multiple Sclerosis  
- Ehlers Danlos Foundation  
- Habitat for Humanity  
- MANNA Soup Kitchen  
Assisting Members in Need  
Linda Murphy Memorial Trophy  
Volunteering time for parades  
Donating food to the Manna Org.  
CCDV President's Award  
Assisting members in bereavement  
St. Vincent's Orphanage Toy Run  
Willow Grove Fantasy Flight for Disabled & Terminally Ill Children Scholarship Fund

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 Bowk

## We're Looking for a Few Good Stories



We are always looking for articles to include in the Gas Cap. Perhaps you had a humorous experience with your Corvette, an interesting story about the purchase of that special 'Vette or you performed a repair or modification that you would like to share with fellow Club members. The Gas Cap welcomes member's articles, which you can send via e-mail to: [rar491@comcast.net](mailto:rar491@comcast.net).

Dennis Winokur

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Thank you, Dave Peterson.

# Big Corvette Round-Up

For some time I've felt the club needed an event that could draw surrounding Corvette clubs, it would be interesting to offer more events than simply a car show and located somewhere fun to go to. The car clubs at the beach have the right idea all boardwalk shows attract a crowd. I felt we needed a show like that. The problem was where? It was difficult to find the ideal location that would allow us to put on a show. In an unusual moment of clarity it came to me, Becky's Drive-In Theatre. It was perfect they can hold 750 plus cars. They were built for vehicular traffic. They have a concession building that can feed us breakfast, lunch and dinner. They have bathrooms. They have a booth that we can use to collect the registration fees. They have an FM transmitter that they use to transmit the audio signal for the movies that we can use for music and announcements if we wish. All the metal speaker poles are gone which gives the place to park and look and without dented doors. After the event we can hang around and watch two full length feature films if we wish. Becky's is located about 15 miles north of Allentown, PA, right down the road from the town of Jim Thorpe in the mountains, a very scenic drive.

I called the owners of Becky's Drive-In and told them what I had in mind. They were ecstatic about the idea and told me that they wanted to do something like this for years, but did not know how to get it started. A match made in heaven. It's a done deal and on June 2nd with a rain date on June 9th, we will have our very first annual **BIG CORVETTE ROUNDUP**. It will be a judged car show. The judging team will consist of our members as well as other Corvette club members. This will be a Corvette only event. The registration fee will be very reasonable \$15. We will offer a gimmick rally for and additional fee, free slow drag race, Corvette trivia contest throughout the day and the movies will be extra of course. We will offer other activities, however we are still working on them and not yet ready to announce them.

I posted a short announcement on the website some time ago to test the waters and to ask for help to pull this off. I was very pleased to see the level of commitment to help, the enthusiasm was overwhelming. I'm very excited about this as I'm sure you are and will be contacting all of those people who have offered to help. If you wish to help or have an idea please e-mail Don Terranova at [bigroundup@yahoo.com](mailto:bigroundup@yahoo.com) or tell me when you see me. We also have a website dedicated to the Roundup: <http://www.corvetteroundup.com/roundup/default.asp>

Thanks, Don Terranova



## Highlights from the December 14, 2006 CCDV Board Meeting

### **Meeting began at 8:05 PM**

Motion to accept minutes from November made by Jeff Hey  
Seconded: John Clipner  
Passed: unanimous.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report for November made by Bill Burkholder  
Seconded: Ed Bonk  
Passed: unanimous.

Motion to accept one (1) new member made by Bob Weiss  
Seconded: Tony Buonassisi.  
Passed: unanimous.

Total membership ending December 2006: 391 individual, 159 spousal, total 550 members.

Motion to upgrade software for web site for \$30 made by Bill Burkholder  
Seconded: Bob Weiss  
Passed: unanimous.

Motion to set up a special scholarship fund with private donations, not using CECF funds made by Bob Weiss,  
Seconded: Tony Buonassisi.  
Passed: unanimous.

Motion to fund CCDV sponsorship for the 2007 Corvette Challenge made by Tony Buonassisi,  
Seconded: Stan O'Leary.  
Passed: unanimous.

Thanks to outgoing board members John Clipner and Mark Sandler, welcome new members Richy Josephs, Jim Bole and new "Special Projects" chairman Nick Cipriano.

### **Meeting adjourned at 10:20 PM**

## ***Go-Karting at Arnold's***

Go-Karting at Arnold's <http://www.arnoldsgokarts.com/> in Oaks, PA on Weds., January 10<sup>th</sup>. We have 2 time slots reserved; 7PM to 8PM and 8PM to 9PM. The cost per individual will be \$63 per/person per one hour time slot. We will limit each slot to 10 people as they have 10 Go-Karts. This will give you four to five 10 minute runs. The 7PM to 8PM slot is already filled as we began this event on the website and it started to fill up quickly. The 8PM to 9PM time slot still has some slots open. If you sign up for this you will be signing up for the 8PM to 9PM time slot. We need to be there a minimum of 20 minutes before we race to watch a safety video. If we show up late it will cut into our time. They have helmets, but you can use your own. Open toe shoes are not permitted. Mail your check (payable to Don Terranova) by January 6<sup>th</sup> to Don at 165 Equestrian Drive, New Hope, PA 18938.

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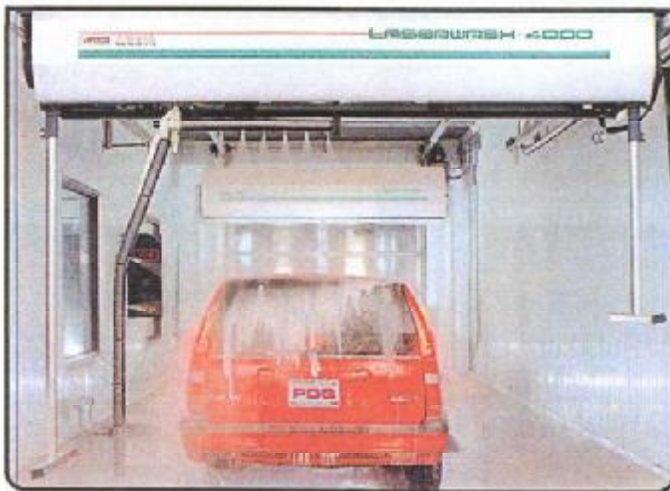
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