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# **New Members**

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Tom & Kim Dowhower 2002 Mil Yellow Coupe Jack Findley 2000 Pewter Coupe

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Ed Bonk



I can't believe I'm writing the August President's message already. I like when our Vettes run fast, but not the calendar.

The month of July was hot but as always did not stop our club from having fun. Despite some early morning sprinkles the July 4<sup>th</sup> Orland, PA parade went on as scheduled. We had 34 Corvettes in the parade this year. This was down from last year because in some areas it was raining and some members figured it was raining in Oreland as it was in their area. There were approximately 6000 people who lined the streets, either sitting on curbs, chairs, the lawn or stood waving to all the Corvettes that were in the parade. The houses, people and even the pets were decorated in the Red, White and Blue and waving the American flag. 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 "Baseball and Apple Pie". I'm already looking forward to next year.

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 Fire Commissioner and a member of CCDV for his warm hospitality and friendliness. We were also invited back to his house for a barbeque where we all had a lot of fun and laughs. The rain didn't hold off any longer, but it didn't stop us from having a few cold ones.

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# August Birthdays

1	Frank Muzqai	13	Jim Bole
	Bob Pollock	14	Jay Ruby
	Penny Speece	18	Michelle Bereczki
2	Roxanne Kelly		Suzanne Harrelson
3	Glenn Murphy	19	Daniel Jaycox
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	Corole Casacio	26	Rose Ferrante
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	Lynn Gaffin	28	Jack Breish
12			David Ziegler
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#### **President's message** (continued from page 1)

The roving breakfast at **Back 2 the 50's** was a huge success with **21** CCDV members taking up most of the diner. From what I understand the diner is small but not their helpings of food. As always **Paul & Ginny Wydominic** do a great job with these breakfasts.

The **ECSCC** drag racing meet and Cruise night were also a lot of fun.

At the General Membership meeting I presented the first 2008 Semi-Annual President's award to **Tim Simmons** for his efforts over the last thirty-five years (page 10).

For **August**, there is the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual **Big Corvette Roundup** (page 4) in Walnutport, PA. Last year we had approximately **100** Corvettes in the show which included Corvette clubs from that area. It was fun walking around and talking to everyone. **Don Terranova**, the Chairperson for this show will also have a car **Rally** as part of the show which is a lot of fun.

Additionally there are three **ECSCC** drag racing events scheduled this month and the roving breakfast will be at the **Perkins Restaurant & Bakery** in Warminster, PA. After the breakfast there will be an optional cruise to **Peddlers Village**, which everyone knows is a cool place.

Also this month is the **Corvettes at Carlisle** show and CCDV will have two tents this year for us to sit under. Last year we had so many people and other Corvette clubs stop by to say hi and chat with us. Make a point this year to take a break and find the tent. I'm again invited back to participate in the Celebrity luncheon with **Lance Miller** and personnel from General Motors.

As you already know **Bob Rosenberg**, our **Gas Cap** editor has stepped down from this role and this issue will be his last. For nearly 6 years Bob has done an outstanding job in this role and is the key reason the Gas Cap is delivered to us each month on a regular schedule. Thanks Bob for all your support and efforts in making our newsletter a successful means of communication. I am pleased to announce that **Russ Parker** has volunteered to fill this position. Russ is very experienced with printing and does the printing for our events involving flyers, signs and our CCDV business cards.

I'm also pleased to announce that **John Tambourine** has volunteered to fill the **Special Projects Chairperson** position. John is very experienced with Project Management and has demonstrated this the last three years as Chairperson of our Cavalcade of Corvettes show.

**Jacques Etkowicz** will assume the Chairperson position of the show for next year. When you see these individuals please offer your congratulations to them as they are stepping up to keep CCDV a **Premier** club.

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), Dave Urbanek (215-443-7568) 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.



# Going Racing

by Doug Bereczki



Our July Corvette Challenge race was a bright, sunny, breezy, and hot day with NO chance of rain! The good weather brought out 9 club members. Tony Buonassisi, Joe Signore, Bob Rosenberg, Mike Campbell, Jerry Muniz, Ellis Gray, myself and for the first time out this year, Tad Archambault made it out to the track for our 5<sup>th</sup> points race. Rose Ferrante aka "Pit Chick" also showed up with the pit truck filled with drag radials. After a rough outing two weeks ago all of us were looking to put on a better show.

There were 59 Vettes entered in the Challenge this month up 10 from last month. The other scheduled events were also lightly attended. Despite the light turn out we still only got two time shots. I know I could have used an additional time shot as I wasted one of mine with a mistake. Well round one was over quickly. Joe was the only member to survive round one. Every one else took a seat next to Rose in the shaded part of the bleachers. Joe won round two to advance to round three, and that's as far as he got. So we are at the half way point in the season with five races to go. Tony has the highest ranking for the club at 16<sup>th</sup> place.

A new event this year is the 11.50 index race. An index race is started with a pro tree and you try to run as close as you can to the index number without going under that number. Jerry and Ellis entered that race as well as the Challenge. Jerry unfortunately had a similar showing in that race as he did in the Challenge, going out in round one. Ellis on the other hand went a couple of rounds and ended up in 4<sup>th</sup> place. With three races to go in the series Ellis has a good shot at the top spot.

The next scheduled Corvette Challenge is on August 2<sup>nd</sup> in the afternoon. The early session includes the 22<sup>nd</sup> East Coast Corvette Show and Go. If you only come to the track once a year this would be the time to go. There will be a Vette show, Vette only autocross and Vette only drag racing. The drag racing is much more relaxed as it is not a points race and there are many guys who only drag race only once a year. The autocross is similar as many people are out for the first time or only go once a year. Hope to see you at the track.

Doug Bereczki

# The Corvette Roundup on August 9th is Almost Here

Just a reminder we'll have: Gimmick Rally ~ Slow Drag Race ~ Trivia contest with prizes ~ Door prizes ~ Goody bags and dash plaques for the first 200 ~ Judged car show with 15 categories and a best of show ~ 46 Trophies will be awarded.

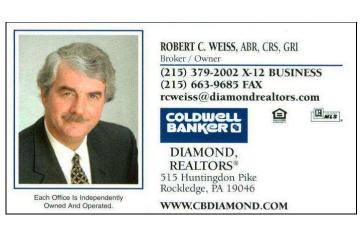


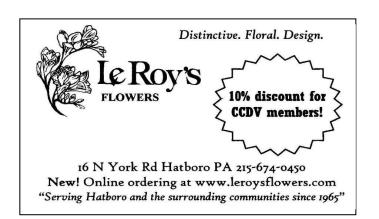














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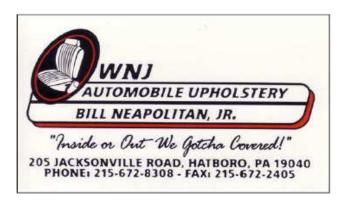
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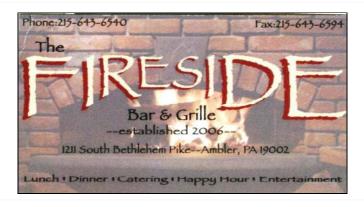
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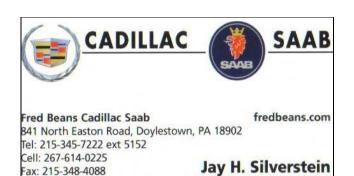
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Thank you, Dave Peterson

# **CCDV 2008 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.

Through out 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 differently. 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 is 10 inches high, has a contemporary design and made of blue acrylic with white lettering.

The first **2008** recipient of this award was presented to **Tim Simmons** at July's General Membership meeting. Tim's contributions and efforts since he joined the club in 1973 exceeded expectations. Tim was President in 1978, Vice President in 1987, Treasurer 1982–1986, 1991–1994 and 2008, Activities Chairman 1975–1977, Cavalcade Show Chairman 1979 & 1987, LCMVC representative 1976–2006 which included driving to Harrisburg for the meetings and played a major role incorporating the Club in 1980 after a 7 year battle with the IRS. He has been on the Board so many times throughout the thirty-five years, even he lost count.

Should you see Tim, please congratulate him on these efforts put forth to our club and its members.

For your information past recipients of this award are **Don Terranova** and **Joel Fellman (2005)**, **John Tambourine** and **Dennis Trayes (2006)** and **Rose Ferrante** and **Bob Weiss (2007)**.



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### **Farewell**

As most of you are aware, after nearly six years of serving as the Gas Cap Editor, I am retiring from that position. Beginning with the September issue, Russ Parker will be the GC Editor.

I want to thank Bill Burkholder, past president of CCDV, for the opportunity to serve as the GC Editor as well as the opportunity to serve on the CCDV Board. Likewise, thanks to Ed Bonk for allowing me to continue as editor when he succeeded Bill as president.

During the time I spent on the Board, I have observed the Board members work hard to make sure that CCDV functions in the best interest of the members they represent. The Board members are determined to see the Club remain financially stable while having as many activities as possible throughout the year.

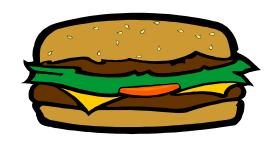
Thanks also to Tony Buonassisi, Joe Signore and John Tambourine, who helped me through the early challenging months back in 2003. Thanks also to the Club members for the encouragement I received along the way.

Please give Russ the same support you so generously gave me.

Bob Rosenberg

### Sat. & Sun., Sept. 6 & 7 CCDV 50th Anniversity Banquet & Picnic Mark Your Calendar!!!





Dennis & Debbie Trayes are planning the CCDV 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet (9/6) and Picnic (9/7). Invitations were mailed to all CCDV members.

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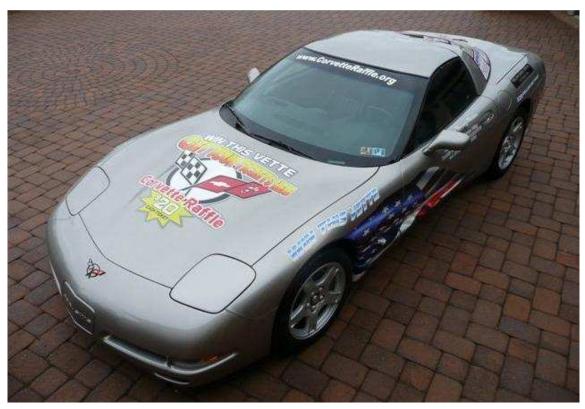
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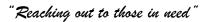
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# August | Corvette of the Month



Well, I guess looking back there were four events that made me become a Corvette nut. The first was when while in high school, I watched a 1961 Vette smoke a brand new Jaguar XKE on York Road, just north of Jenkintown. Then a couple of years later, while in the Army, my best buddy invited me to ride with him from Ft. Belvoir, VA to Boston, MA on a warm Friday night. What a ride in a '63, 340 horse roadster, with the top off. I knew then that some day I had to get a Corvette. Then later, in the 70's I worked with a guy who owned a '76 blue coupe. He would take a month off every summer and drive out to California or Arizona and all over the country with his wife.

Then in 1985 he bought a C4 and stopped at my house the next day and let me drive it. The final straw was when Nancy and I were still dating; I took my car to be serviced in Doylestown. There was a used C5 on the lot. I asked the annoying salesman if I could drive it. He said sure and I called Nancy and asked her to come up and ride with me. That was it! I had to have one! I soon ordered my '99. We joined the CCDV in 2000 and then later ordered our C6 from Bryner Chevrolet and never looked back. It took a while and a lot of grief in between but, we did it.

Mike Campbell

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Congratulations to CCDV member Jack DeLong. His 1992 dark red metallic Corvette coupe was selected for the 2008 National Corvette Museum's historic Motorama II to help celebrate GM's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary

## **July 19th Cruise Night**

Thanks to all who came out to enjoy our Cruise Night. It was HOT, HOT, HOT, so a special thanks in having almost 200 cars show. We also very much appreciate the help we get at the table and 50/50 ticket sales!

We sold lots of pretzels and the cold drinks were going fast. The winners of the trophies were Tom Lee for his '06 Mustang, our Ken Stacy for his Vette, and Stanley Noll for his '59 Caddy. See you at our next Cruise Night on August 16th.

Ginny and Paul

## **Highlights from the July 17, 2008 CCDV Board Meeting**

Tentative Cavalcade profit barring any other expenses is \$5954.15

Rose Ferrante read the only scholarship application from Jamie Moyer who attends MCCC. Brian Dixon made a motion that we give the \$2000 scholarship that was donated to our fund to Jamie and invite him to our next meeting for a presentation.

Bill Burkholder went over the 4 penalty steps for our website. They will be put on the website for users to agree to.

New Members Scott Scrivner and John Madden

Raffle Car sales are only at \$8,000.00

Cavalcade was a big success per John Tambourine. See profit entry above.

Planning for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversity banquet and picnic is going well. Invitations are going out on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Per Dennis Trayes, we seem to be within the planned budget. Dennis also suggested that we video tape the banquet and picnic. He will look into the cost.

New Cavalcade chairman Jack Etkowicz, presented his plan for the 2009 show and requested approval of a starting budget of \$5000.00.

Jeff Hey, Jr., our website master, suggested that we update the software of our bulletin board since we are a few revisions behind. The cost is about \$60.00.

# **Upcoming Events**



Saturdays, August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – Corvette Challenge – Englishtown, NJ (2 dates)



Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Corvette Annual Roundup



Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> - CCDV Marksman Night - contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or wburkholder4@comcast.net



Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> – General Membership Meeting



Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> Cruise Night – Lowe's, Warrington, PA



Sat. & Sun., September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> - CCDV 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet and Picnic



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