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### John Lynch

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### Dave Lombard

1988 Red Convertible

### Sava Mitchell

2003 Black Coupe

### Michael Moss

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1984 Red Race Car

### Frank & Elizabeth Gisondi

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1978 White Coupe

**588 Members as of  
November 30, 2008**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Ed Bonk



I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with their family and friends and ate a lot of food as well as watched football. I enjoyed mine by taking my mother and a couple of my children to a nice restaurant. My mother who is ninety one years old really enjoyed herself and everything was great except no TV's to watch football. Now that Thanksgiving has past it's amazing how quick the holiday season gets into full gear and Christmas arrives. It's actually my favorite (non Corvette) time of year. And since I bought myself some Christmas presents at Carlisle I can't wait to open them on Christmas day.

The month of **November** is when our annual Board elections are held and the number of members on the ballot was the best since I been President. There were **thirteen** candidates on the 2008 ballot. This was really great to see five new names on the ballot as it shows how members are volunteering to be a significant part of this premier club. I want to congratulate the members who got elected and thank all **thirteen** nominees for their interest in our great club. I also want to congratulate the two new members **(Debbie Traves & John Tamborine)** for getting elected and I look forward to working with the both of you throughout **2009**. And I want to give a special 'Thank you' to **Stan O'Leary & Joe Remich** for all their time and efforts throughout the years being on the Board and keeping our club the best in the country. Despite not being elected to the CCDV Board, Stan & Joe will continue with their positions on CECF. There was very little club activity this month as the outdoor activities basically come to a halt. Our club did assist and participate in the **2nd Annual Corvettes for Chip Car Show** at Kennett Square, Pa. The money raised **will be donated to the Chip Miller Charitable Foundation.**

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| 2  | Donald Bainbridge.   |    | Sandy Ciaccio      |
|    | Paul Catinella       |    | Lynne Harnish      |
| 3  | Barry McLaughlin     | 17 | Sue Fellman        |
|    | Debbie Haeussler     |    | Dominic Ventresca  |
| 4  | Marion Gallagher     | 18 | John Benischeck    |
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|    | Jeanette Landes      | 19 | Lisa Coppola       |
|    | Janet Remich         |    | Susan Davis        |
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|    | Bob Yates            | 21 | Alan Berkheiser    |
| 6  | Fran Dougherty       |    | Ken Hoffman        |
|    | Ray Reinard Jr.      | 22 | Gena McCleary      |
|    | Diane Harp           | 23 | Ronald Tornari     |
|    | Debra Schmidt        | 24 | Carol Termine      |
| 7  | Jill Lewis           | 25 | John DeSantis      |
|    | Marlene Etkowicz     |    | Henry Netter       |
|    | Donna Zuccarini      | 26 | Jack Shirley       |
| 10 | Rhona Ann Jasner     |    | Sandra Bagdas      |
| 11 | Vince Palagruto      | 27 | Bill Hueyt         |
| 12 | Daniel Harmon        | 28 | Kristy Conwell     |
|    | Carl Siwek           |    | Wendy Thompson     |
|    | Marueen Bahr         |    | Paula Burkholder   |
| 13 | William Washnock     | 29 | Nick Dautel        |
|    | Bonnie Milnes        |    | Sherri Nikazy      |
| 14 | Tim Simmons          |    | Richard Wise       |
| 15 | Wayde Elwell         | 30 | Marian Barford     |
|    | Warren Rubin         |    | Cynthia Lear       |
|    |                      | 31 | Jim Gordon         |
|    |                      |    | Kate Hoffman       |
|    |                      |    | Ginny Wydominic    |

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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)

Working with other Corvette clubs was one of the club's initiatives for this year and will continue into next year. There was also the monthly roving breakfast at the Oaks Family Restaurant.

Hatboro had their annual Thanksgiving parade and I was very fortunate to drive Miss Pennsylvania in the parade **(Page 15)**.

CCDV got some good recognition by doing this and the club could play a role in future pageants. I got to admit I was in my glory especially since she could be the next Miss America".

For **December** there is no General Membership meeting. The holiday party will again be at the **Buck Hotel (See Page 4)** on **Friday, the 5th**. Every year we present a check to one of our charities and we will do so again this year. This will be a great time for all and I'm looking forward to meeting some new members. One of our members, **Lee Pavorsky**, will be celebrating his **21** years in the jewelry business on **Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>** and has invited CCDV members to come down and celebrate with him. All his jewelry will be discounted for the members and there will refreshments and food on hand. The time and directions are listed on our web site.

In giving everyone an update on our web site, the first of the year our web administrator will be implementing the CCDV web site rules/penalties acknowledgement box and an upgrade to our span control software will also take place. The rules & penalties associated with the web site were approved by the board a couple of months ago but we were waiting to do these changes all at one time.

For the past four years I spent some of my time each month trying to find a speaker who would come to our GM meeting and talk about an item of interest. For **2009** I would like to have a committee of two to three people that would take over this responsibility and find speakers who would come to our meeting. If you are interested contact me and we can discuss in more detail. This does not required a lot of time and can be fun in meeting new people with an interest in the automotive field.

At the October General Membership meeting **Bob Weiss** stood up during the 'Open Forum' and talked about the Fellow Help Me list **(Page 7)**. I really think this is a good thing for everyone and the Board fully supports it..

If you have any CCDV items or material see John Tamborine's write up **(Page 13)** as we are trying to put everything related to our club in one location.

In closing, I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday and have a very enjoyable time with your families.

I wish you and your family the best.

*Ed*

## Please join us for our 2008 CCDV Holiday Party



**When:** Friday, December 5, 2008  
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

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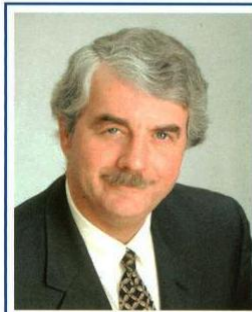
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*Ed*

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# Going Racing

by Doug  
Bereczki



November was supposed to bring us 3 Corvette Challenge races, the last two points races and the top 16 race. It was looking like November would give a lot of guys three chances for some personal bests. Well, it didn't quite work out that way.

November 8<sup>th</sup> brought gloomy weather and a few CCDV racers out. Tad Archambault, Bob Bern, in his 13<sup>th</sup> production C6, and I left from Willow Grove and Ellis Gray met us at the track. Got to the track at 8:45, Race was called off at 8:57! Rained Out! This was not good enough for a couple of us. So Ellis, Jerry Muniz and I returned to the track Sunday to race in a Classic Muscle vs Modern Muscle race. Jerry and Ellis qualified for the fastest modern muscle cars! Ellis made it to the final in that race. In the final round Ellis lined up staged and broke the start beam and then backed out. He was hoping that his opponent would red light as his transmission had failed.

November 15<sup>th</sup> brought not only gloomy looking weather, but some rain also. The race was called before most of us got out of bed in the morning. Again this was not good enough for some of us. On Sunday there was a Domestic vs Import race at Englishtown. Jerry, Ellis and I made the trek out to E-town. Ellis got his transmission fixed and was ready to go. This event is usually packed and filled with import oil downs. Today was no different, but not as bad as usual. All three of us went some rounds and got our racing fix in for the week.

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, NO RAIN!!! BUT it was sunny, windy, and **25 DEGREES!** Tony, Joe, Mike, Tad, and I made the trip to E-town. Mike and Joe were pretty upset when we teched our cars in. It was at that point that we were informed that because of the wind and temperature we would only be racing to the 1/8 mile. Joe was looking for an eleven sec. time slip and Mike would have rather stayed home than race a 1/8 mile race. I think it was the first time I made a pass below 32 degrees! Tony got a best sixty foot time of 1.89. Both Tony and Mike got first round wins. Turns out it was a good day for Joe. He got a personal best sixty foot time of 1.81, and made it to the semi-final race. He got beat by the eventual event winner Chris Young. While making that semi-final run Joe kept our team place at 7<sup>th</sup> and moved himself up to 11<sup>th</sup> place for the year. Nice job Joe!!! That finish qualifies him for the Top 16 race which has been scheduled for March 09.

Wait, November is not over yet. In his quest for a 11 sec. time slip Joe Signore traveled to Atco Raceway on the 29<sup>th</sup>. He was not going to be denied an 11 sec. run! On the 22<sup>nd</sup> a number of his 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile passes would have yielded an 11 sec. run. All of his hard work paid off. 11.87!!!! Nice way to end a race season Joe.

That's Racing for 2008.

*Doug Bereczki*



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Please e-mail Russ Parker to list an automobile or related item you wish to include in a future Gas Cap at: [reparker@expresswayprinting.com](mailto:reparker@expresswayprinting.com). These listings are free to CCDV members.

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

# November Roving Breakfast

Thanks to all who came out in the rain and fog. We had a great time and from all the racket we made it sounded like everyone else did, too. The Oaks dished up some great grub and the waitresses were great. It's was a fun way to start the day!


Thanks, Paul & Ginny Wydominic

## 2008 Gas Cap Annual Advertising Rates

| Members - One Year |          | Non-Members - One Year |          |
|--------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| 1/8 Page           | \$60.00  | 1/8 Page               | \$72.00  |
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### CLUB PROPERTY INVENTORY

The club is going to establish a comprehensive list of all of its property (ie...tents, banners, coolers, walkie talkies etc.....)

If you are storing any property for the club, would you please be kind enough to make a list of what you have and get it to John Tambourine at your earliest convenience.

John's e-mail address is [govettego2@verizon.net](mailto:govettego2@verizon.net)

Thanks so much for your help in this effort!

*Rose Ferrante*

# Highlights from the November 21, 2008 CCDV Board Meeting

- ✓ There was a discussion about serving hot dogs at the Cruise Nights. It was felt that that the amount of effort on just a few people wasn't worth it.
- ✓ The Board discussed visitors to the website having to acknowledge our rules/guidelines. This will be implemented in January.
- ✓ A proposed disclaimer clause for advertising in the Gas Cap and website was reviewed. In summary, the purpose of the disclaimer is to substantiate the Club's position that advertisements do not infer an endorsement, approval or recommendation.
- ✓ A motion was passed to accept six (6) new membership applications for: John Lynch, Dave Lombard, Mitchell Sava, Michael Moss, Frank Gisondi and Elizabeth Gisondi (spousal). Total membership stands at 588 members.
- ✓ A motion was passed to donate \$15,050 to the charities and to hold \$950 for future donations. Recipients of donations for this year are the Sunshine Foundation, JDF, Multiple Sclerosis, Saint Mary's Villa, MANNA on Main Street Soup Kitchen, Warrington Ambulance, Alzheimer's Research Foundation, and Neal Hirshburg (private donation).
- ✓ Elections were held for 2009 CECF elections. The winners were Bob Weiss, Joe Remich, and Steve Howard.
- ✓ A motion was passed to purchase a 2004 black Corvette Coupe for next year's raffle car at a cost of \$23,999. The car has approximately 3500 miles.
- ✓ The Board discussed the current club brick at the National Corvette Museum. These bricks are one of the first club arrangements at the museum and they are surrounded by several club members' individual bricks that were purchased specifically to be placed around the club brick arrangement.
- ✓ A motion was not passed to reduce the dues for the upcoming year (only) to \$35.
- ✓ As a result of very successful Cruise Nights this year, \$500 will be donated to Gilda's Club.

## Upcoming Events



**Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – CCDV 2008 Holiday Party** (page 4)



**Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – CCDV Marksman Night** – contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or wburkholder4@comcast.net



**Thursday, December 11 – No General Membership Meeting**



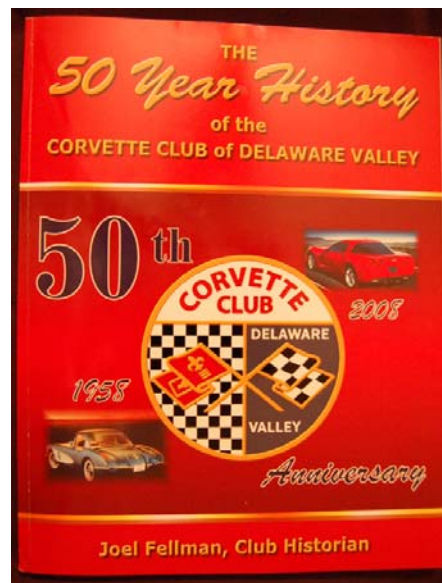
**Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> – Roving Breakfast** – William Penn Inn (page 10)



**CCDV Sponsored Event**

**PLEASE CHECK EVENTS MONTHLY AS THEY ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

# "Here Ye - Here Ye - Good News - Read All About Us"



Copies of our recently published "50 Year History of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley" book from 1958 to 2008 is now available for just \$10. through the Club Store.

The 155 pages are filled with detailed text back to 1958, the very beginning of CCDV plus 2 dozen classic photos from over the years as well as Corvette legends, milestones, production numbers and more.

I doubt this endeavor has ever been accomplished by any other car club so this certainly raises CCDV to a higher level. There's also a good chance that your name or Corvette may be included somewhere in the book so I'm sure you will all find it enjoyable, informative and well worth the \$10. cost. And if you attend a General Membership meeting, there's a good chance the author will gladly sign your copy.

So Thank You and Save The Wave !

Joel

**Hatboro had their annual  
Thanksgiving parade  
and I was very fortunate  
to drive  
Miss Pennsylvania  
in the parade**

**Ed**



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