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East Coast Supercharging
2003 Red Hard Top
1998 Black Convertible

Candy & Chris Merlino
1976 Black Coupe

**538 Members as of
July 31, 2009**

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with a black leather interior

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ed Bonk



It's August already and I feel we had a shorten summer due to all that rain we had in June. But we did have a very good July so that makes me feel better.

The month of **July** was full of activities and a lot of fun. The July 4th Orland, Pa. parade had beautiful weather and our club had the best representation ever with **60** Corvettes in the parade. This is a big jump from previous years as we had **34** Corvettes last year and **36** the year before. There were a lot of new members who participated this year and this makes me feel good seeing and meeting the new members. It's funny though, how all the first time participants including myself, fall into the "Running out of Candy" syndrome before the parade route ends. Than you look like the bad guy or cheap skate with the kids at the end of the parade and sometimes get booed. Just like last year there were approximately **5000** 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. 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 Chief and a member of CCDV for his warm hospitality and friendliness. We were also invited back to his house for a barbeque in which we all had a lot of fun and laughs. The roving breakfast at **Maggio's** had **24** members in attendance who enjoyed themselves as well as the meal. I want to thank **Bill and Loretta Kinsley** for their time and efforts in putting this breakfast together. The **ECSCC** drag racing team had two meets this month and I saw where **Ellis Gray** and **Doug Berezki** were on the money all day with the first meet. Way to go guys. .Cruise night had beautiful weather and about **200** cars were on display. This is another event were I meet new members who cannot attend the monthly General Membership meeting for one reason or another. It's great talking to these members and on many occasions they state to me how great our club is.

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August Birthdays

1	Frank Mozgai	20	Joe Signore
2	Roxanne Kelly		Ellen Moss
3	Glenn Murphy	21	Jeff Hey
4	Julie Wise		Kathleen Benischeck
5	Steven Rachlin		Sandy Cumbo
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13	Jim Bole	31	Ruthann Hilland
19	Daniel Jaycox		

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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.

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The 2nd annual **Covered Bridge & Poker Run** also had excellent weather and a large turnout. There were **44** corvettes driving in this two hour run and we got to go under **eight** covered bridges throughout Bucks County. Afterward we stopped at **Hawkeye's** diner for lunch and had a private room just for ourselves. I had the pleasure to sit and talk with new members **Larry & Fredda Lake** who enjoyed themselves on their first CCDV event. I'm glad you guys joined the club and look forward to seeing you in the future with other events. **Bonnie and Bob Milnes** were the big winners with their poker hand and gave half of their winnings back to the club. On behalf of the club and myself I want to say 'Thank you' for being so kind. The big loser with the worst hand was your President. It figures that I would have the losing hand and now will have to wait an entire year before I relinquish the title of 'Biggest Loser'. I know I'll hear this at this months GM meeting. **Steve Fisher** held this title for the past year and was very happy to turn it over to me. Congratulations to **Paul & Ginny Wydominic** on a job well done with this event.

At the July General Membership meeting I usually present the first Semi-Annual President's award but could not do it this month as our trophy maker was on vacation so I couldn't get the trophy. I will present it at the August meeting.

For **August**, we have another ECSCC racing event and Cruise night. There is also our annual picnic (**See Page 5**) which will be at '**Perkasie Owls**' in Perkasie, Pa.. This should be a great time so bring the family and grand kids. We should have around 100 people there and this will give everyone a chance to meet and socialize with your friends. The menu is excellent and packed with a lot of good food. As always check the Gas Cap or Calendar on our web site for full details. 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 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 key personnel from General Motors.

"There will be no guest speaker this month as I will conduct an 'Open Forum' for the members to present ideas or thoughts concerning the club."

Just as a note of CCDV interest, the **60** Corvettes in the Oreland parade tied our record of **60** cars in the **2008** Ocean City, N.J. boardwalk Corvette show. The largest number of Corvettes in any of our events was **100** when we caravanned to Chip Miller's house in Carlisle (09/2000) and the second largest number was **84** in a Hot Dog run (10/2000).

The September issue of Vette magazine had a write up and a picture of CCDV winning the EagleOne Golden Rule award for outstanding community service in the Eastern region. This is the second month in a row CCDV was in Vette magazine.

And finally, ticket sales for the raffle car are going well and should you want to buy or sell tickets contact **Dave Bresler** (215 350-9527), **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.

Ed

HELP WANTED

Looking for members to help at Cruise Nights.

Need members to scout parking lot before event to pick up trash, such as nails, boards, etc.

If interested please contact Paul or Ginny Wydominic at

vwydominic@verizon.net

Please make sure to include the subject line- Re: Cruise Night Help.

Vacancy on the Scholarship Committee needs to be filled.

If interested, please submit your name to Rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com . Please make sure to include the Subject line - Re: Scholarship Committee opening.

Names will be brought before the CCDV Board for filling of the position.



**We're proud to be raffling off this black
2004 Corvette Coupe.**

It's pristine with only 4,000 miles on the odometer.
It will be on display at area shows and tickets are on sale.
The tickets are \$20 each and only 2600 tickets will be sold.
Tickets can be purchased at: www.CorvetteRaffle.org

OUR CAR WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT:

NOTE: Tickets can be purchased in person at any of the following events.

May 16 - CCDV Cruise Night, Warrington PA

June 20th - The 39th annual Cavalcade of Corvettes, Warwick PA

June 20th 7PM - Lansdale Car Show

July 18 - CCDV Cruise Night, Warrington PA

July - Moonlight Memories Hatboro Car Show, Hatboro PA

August 15 - CCDV Cruise Night, Warrington PA

September 19 - CCDV Cruise Night, Warrington PA

September - Boardwalk Corvettes Show, Ocean City NJ

2009 Raffle Car Details

Year : 2004 Corvette Coupe

Engine : 5.7 Liter 350HP sequential fuel Injection V8 engine

Color : Black with black leather interior

Mileage : 4000 miles

Options : 6 speed manual transmission, memory package, twilight sentinel,
electrochromic mirrors, heads up display, power telescoping & manual tilt
steering column, 12 disc CD changer, & performance handling package.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

August Cruise Night:

CCDV Cruise Night - Saturday, August 15 - 4:00pm to 8:00pm
Held at Lowes parking lot on Rt. 611 and Street Road in Warrington.

Free Admission --- Trophies and Door Prizes

Support our club while enjoying a fun evening! Spend a few hours walking around ... eating a soft pretzel ... and showing off your car.

Club Picnic:

Looking for a fun afternoon with your friends?

Join us for the 2009 CCDV Picnic at the Perkasio Owls.

Sunday, August 23 from 1:00 to 4:30 pm.

Come early for some great food, drinks and desserts!

Perkasie Owls

S 7th & Elm Streets

Perkasie, PA 18944

www.perkasieowlsclub.com

PICNIC is for Members Only

Cost to members and their family - \$5.00 per person

Here's what you'll get: (all meats cooked on outside grill)

BBQ Ribs and Gilled Chicken, Burgers and Hot Dogs ...

Potato and Pasta Salads, Corn-on the Cob, Veggies ...

Chips and Pretzels, of course, along with rolls and butter ...

We'll have a 1/4 kea of Birch Beer. canned soda. and water

Now for the desserts:

How about Sliced watermelon and Cantaloupe, a tray of Golden Pineapple and Berries, AND assorted Cookies!

Now that's what I call a picnic!!

The Owls has an open bar inside where you will find you are welcome to have a cold one, if you choose.

We have a covered pavilion (in case of a less than perfect day) and you can go inside to use the restrooms.

The ballpark is open to us along with horseshoes and volleyball (somebody please bring a net). There is power at the pavilion, so bring your CD's.

Important You must reserve your spot by August 14

We're planning for 100 people, so get your money in asap to reserve your spot. Please respond to posting or email vwydominic@verizon.net or call 215-453-7994.

Send check payable to Paul Wydominic or CCDV:

Paul Wydominic
120 Deer Run Road
Perkasie, PA 18944

Be There to Go There!

Meet up at the Giant Parking Lot on Rt. 113 (take Rt. 309 to Rt. 113 - 5 miles north of the Montgomery Mall) in Hilltown (where we meet for the Hot Dog Run) at 1:00, Sunday, August 9.

No sign-up required, just be there.

Leaving 1:15 sharp for the Sands Casino in Bethlem, a one-hour drive via back country roads

You may want to stay for awhile, get a Sands Card (if you have a card from another casino, I'd suggest you bring it. They might have a promotion going if you can show another casino's card) and earn chances to win a brand new Corvette ZR1 - drawing on Sept 7. There is one on display, and it's a beaut!

So Be There to Go There with us and have some fun.

Thanks for your time in reading all of this. We're looking forward to a great day and the club is looking forward to a big turnout of the membership.

Paul & Ginny Wydominic

PAST ACTIVITIES

July 4th - Oreland Fire Company Parade:

What a turnout - 60 cars. Beautiful day, beautiful parade. Thanks to Dan Supplee and the Oreland Fire Company for the invite. Thanks go to Greg, Dan, and Bill for posting pictures.

July Roving Breakfast:

Great time at Maggio's. We had our own private area with friendly service and good food. Thanks to Bill & Loretta for arranging this one and for the .99 coupons. A nice turnout with 24 CCDV friends!

July Cruise Night:

WOW, perfect weather and fantastic showing. The cars came rolling in as we counted almost almost 200., the 50/50 tickets were a hot item, as well as soft pretzels, sodas, iced tea and water, even sold a few raffle tickets.

Plaques went to, Jerry Huttenlook for his 62 vette, Donald Gatenby for his 66 Mustang, and Dan Bush for his 55 Olds.

Thanks again to everyone that helped!

Covered Bridge Poker Run:

What an amazing day, even saw a eagle fly by while we were at the starting point in the park. The attendance was amazing, 78 members came out for the ride. We even had a few people join us for the ride from another club. They saw first hand how cool our club is.

Forty-four cars took the 54 mile tour, crossing over 8 covered bridges. Hawkeye's Restaurant welcomed us for lunch and went out of their way to make our time there special. Their employees looked forward to seeing a great looking parking lot and we did not dissappoint. Thankfully we had the entire dining room where we could review our hands, award prizes, and enjoy lunch. What fun, everyone was excited when they could finally open the sealed envelopes containing poker cards they were given along the tour. Comments were heard about the stickers on the back of their envelopes, cars, planes, smiling faces, and construction equipment. Glad you took notice.

We had 7 people win a free lunch (\$10) by finding a large food sticker on the front of their envelope. A drum roll for the big winner \$300 Bonnie and Bob Milnes, full house, kings high. They asked us to donate half of their winnings to the club and we will see that one of our charities receive it. Now can you believe the biggest loser was our beloved pres, Ed Bonk. Yes he made it the correct day, on time, and did not get lost. All five of his poker cards did not have a higher card than a seven, no pairs, no nothing, awarding him a \$114.

Paul and I want to you to know that we heard all the thanks and words of appreciation given to us for putting on this event. We had a great time, too!

We want to also thank Tim Simmons who volunteered to be the last car out. He was there to help one of our members, Will Cook, with a car problem. This was Will's first event and he bought his daughter along for the ride. Steve Fisher did what he could to help via phone while we were at the rest stop. Not sure of the outcome, but hope Will got the problem solved.

Also, want to thank our new member, Mitch Sava, for helping us register everyone for the run.

Doug Berezcki, thanks for posting pictures at the park. Would have been even better if you could have joined us for the ride, maybe next year.

Thanks, also, to Greg Baugler (sp?) and Bill Kinsley for posting pictures. Great fun, great day!

Looking forward to doing it again in 2010!

Paul & Ginny Wydominic

2009 Cavalcade Winners

Best of Show - Ken Woodcock (Keystone State Corvette Club)
Best Paint - Randy Hofer (Keystone State Corvette Club)
Best Engine - Frank & Barbara Kraemer
Bryner's Choice - Bob Lowes
Peoples Choice - Ken Hoffman
President's Choice - Marlene Etkowicz
Sunshine Foundation - Joel Zober (Tri-State Corvette Club)
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation - Dave Bresler
Warwick Township - Randy Hofer (Keystone State Corvette Club)

Class Awards Non-CCDV

C4 1st Place - Brad & Denise Orey (Easton Area Corvette Club)
C4 2nd Place - Brian Gomez (TDC Motor Club)

C6 1st Place - Joel Zober (Tri-State Corvette Club)
C6 2nd Place - Ron Conella (No club affiliation)

Race/Modified 1st Place - Ken Woodcock (Keystone State Corvette Club)
Race/Modified 2nd Place - Randy Hofer (Keystone State Corvette Club)

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C1 1st Place - Bob Lowes
C1 2nd Place - Lorna & Robert Bearn

C2 1st Place - Bob Weiss
C2 2nd Place - Patrick Petrillo

C3 1st Place - Joel Fellman
C3 2nd Place - Marlene Etkowicz

C4 1st Place - Bob Scott
C4 2nd Place - Ted DeLeone

C5 1st Place - Bill Burkholder
C5 2nd Place - Dan Harmon

C6 1st Place - Jacques Etkowicz
C6 2nd Place - Bob Milnes

Race/Modified 1st Place - Norm Clemmer
Race/Modified 2nd Place - Dave Bresler

Submit your Vette for the 2010 CCDV Member Calendar!

Here are the submission details and guidelines for getting your Vette into the 2010 CCDV Member Calendar...

GUIDELINES:

1. You may submit 1 to 3 images. No more.
2. Specify the following specs for publication with the photo(s):
 - o Your Full Name and CCDV website online name (if any)
 - o Model Year
 - o Exterior Color Name
 - o Engine Type (eg. L48) and/or Size (eg. 350/174hp)
 - o Any special type (eg. Collector's Edition, Silver Anniversary, etc)
 - o Year Purchased
 - o Where photo was taken, if you think it is worthy of mention
3. Specify how you want your name associated with the image(s) if used. You may specify one of the following:
 - o Do not use your name
 - o Specify your online name and your Real First Name
 - o Specify your online name and your Real First & Last Name
4. Specify how you want your location associated with the picture if it is used. You may specify one of the following:
 - o Do not use your location
 - o Specify your City and State

All submissions will be reviewed and judged on the following criteria:

1. **Quality** - ***THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT!!!*** The image file must be of a substantial quality in regards to DPI (eg. 300) and Resolution (eg. 1760x1168). The higher these numbers are, the better it will look when printed, especially on a calendar. You'll probably need a 2.1 megapixel camera or better, set at the highest quality setting possible.
2. **Artfulness** - The image should be tasteful and free of anything that would detract from the Vette. For example, **no people, no other cars, no business signs**. Examples of good backgrounds are: open fields, a park, a tree-lined 2-lane road, your driveway, etc.
3. **Framing** - Framed so that the entire Vette is in the picture. It can be taken from any angle except straight on of the rear.
4. **Scenery** - The prettier the background, the better. Plus, keep in mind that **we'd like to have season appropriate photos**. For example, a background of trees turning color in the fall; trees and flowers blooming in the spring; snow covered roadway in the winter, pumpkin patch for October, etc.

The more of these criteria that you meet, the more likely your photo will be used.

TO SUBMIT YOUR VETTE:

1. Making sure to follow all the guidelines above, send your Vette & Personal Details and image file(s) as attachments or by specifying URL(s) to:
CCno+spamDV@C3VRMail.com
Make sure to remove **no+spam** from the email address!!
2. Entries must be received no later than 10/31/2009!
3. You will not necessarily be notified directly about whether or not your Vette is selected. A list of selected Vettes will be made available on the CCDV forums shortly after the selections have been made.
4. If you have questions, [send me an email](#).

Good luck!

**Back by
Popular
Demand!
Roger Girke
Band**

**New Date!
9/13/09**



**More classes
to enter &
trophies to
win!**

**NEW
CRAFT &
JEWELRY
SHOW!**

**6th Annual Corvettes for a Cure
A Benefit for the
Delaware Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association**

Come out to enjoy the best Corvettes (and their owners) from all over the area.

- **Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009, 10am-3pm Rain or Shine. (Gates open at 8am)**
- **LOCATION: Center for Arts & Technology Pickering Campus** located at 1580 Charlestown Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460
- **NEW! Indoor Craft and Jewelry Show** (contact us to be a vendor)
- **MORE Trophies! Participant judged show** with 1st, 2nd & 3rd place trophies in STOCK and MODIFIED classes C1 through C6 plus Best of Show. We will make a \$100 donation to the chosen charity of the Corvette Club with the best attendance!
- **"TLC Award" Bring any Vette in any condition, as long as you can drive it to the show, and have the chance to win gift certificates!**
- **REPEAT Performance by the Roger Girke Band – a fabulous and fun blues band!**
- Great food and fun plus indoor rest room facilities.
- Enough parking spaces to accommodate over **400** Vettes!

Cost to Enter Your Corvette:

- **ALL** proceeds to benefit the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association
- \$15 early registration (by 8/13/09). \$20 day of show.
- Spectators welcomed! Day of show suggested donation: \$5

Three Easy Ways to Register:

1) Online at www.CorvettesForACure.com until 8/13/09

2) Mail - Fill out this entry form COMPLETELY and follow instructions below:

First & Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State & ZIP: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____

Vette Year: _____ Color: _____ Body Style: _____ License Plate: _____

Class of Entry (only circle ONE): Stock: C1, C2, C3, C4, C5 & C6; **Modified:** C1, C2, C3, C4, C5 & C6; **TLC**

**note: you must choose ONLY ONE category- EITHER a STOCK or MODIFIED generation category OR the TLC category*

Club Affiliation(s), if any _____

How did you hear about this show? _____

Make a check or money order payable to: Vette Registries, LLC. Mail your check/MO & this form in an envelope addressed to: Corvettes for A Cure, C/O C3VR, PO BOX 202, EAGLEVILLE, PA 19408

3) In person the day of the show.

BE A SPONSOR OR VENDOR! Visit www.CorvettesForACure.com or contact Adam Wartell by email CFAC@CorvettesForACure.com or Phone 610-409-9047.

Going Racing

July was a busy month for guys who race their Vettes. Two Corvette Challenge races, at least 2 11.50 index races, and some track events. The weather, for a change, seemed to cooperate with the various racing activities.

For the July 11th Corvette Challenge 4 CCDV drivers made the show. Jerry Muniz, Ellis Gray, Mike Campbell, and I made the trek to Raceway Park. Also making the trip was new club member John Milewski in his beautiful 2004 black convertible. John didn't race, but after spectating for the day the racing bug just may have bitten him.

The weather was nice for July. The temperature only made it to the mid 80's by the first elimination round and the humidity was uncharacteristically low. The combination made for very comfortable racing for the middle of Summer. Jerry, Ellis, and I entered two events for the day. Jerry and Ellis entered the Corvette Challenge 11.50 index race and I entered the Real Street race also. In the first round of the Corvette Challenge Ellis and I advanced to the second round, but unfortunately Jerry and Mike did not. Mike managed to line up against Ellis. How many times is that for this year Mike? Ellis's luck ran out in round 2 with him spinning off of the line. Round 2 treated me a little better as I advanced to round three. Buy round 3 my car was hot so I dialed up to compensate, but my car had other ideas as it made one of the fastest runs for the day. I made it to the finish line first on another brilliant break-out run.

In the 11.50 index race Ellis qualified #1 with an 11.505!!!! Both Ellis and Jerry won their first round matches. With the way the seeding turned out that paired Ellis and Jerry in round 2. That turned out to be the closest race of the match. As the lights turned green Ellis blazes down the track in 11.506 seconds! That should win right? Jerry wins the round by treeing Ellis and beating him to the line by .0096!!!! Now that's a photo finish! Jerry's next round was an uneventful loss. That wrapped it up for Team CCDV.

On July 20th and 21st the National Corvette Museum sponsored a High Performance Driving Experience at NJ Motorsports Park. Club member Norm Clemmer participated in this event. Also at this event was Frank Gonzales who worked as an instructor. With Frank instructing Norm quickly moved up from the green class to the yellow class. That's impressive! Frank also got to have a little fun in turning out 1:09 lap times on the Lightning course. To put that in prospective, national caliber drivers routinely turnout 1:10 lap times!!! HPDE events are held at tracks close to us in the Northeast frequently. Anybody who really wants to experience what their Vette can really do must try one of these events. You WILL NOT be disappointed.

On Friday nights Raceway Park has an 11.50 index race, and Ellis has been participating in these races. So far this year Ellis has been the #1 qualifier in these races and also in the Corvette Challenge 11.50 races! But Ellis has not won any this year, infact I don't believe he has made it past the second round. Well on July 24th Ellis qualified #1 again with a time of 11.50!!!! His first thought was oh no here we go again qualify #1 and out in a round or two. So he was not too excited going into the 1st round. Next thing he knows he is in the ¼ final round against Rob Farley. He takes out Rob and is in the Final! His opponent is Shay LaScalla fellow Corvette Challenge racer. Finally Ellis get the brass ring, he puts Shay on the trailer for the WIN! Nice job Ellis

GOING RACING CONTINUED

The 6th points race for the Corvette Challenge was on July 25th. Ellis Gray, Jerry Muniz, and I made the short drive to Englishtown to rack up some points. The 25th was an almost typical Summer day. It was hot, low 90's, but the humidity was low and there was a nice breeze for most of the day. The parking situation was a little crazy as Raceway Park was holding a major one day event on Sunday. They had large portions of the pit area blocked off. So that made getting to the staging lanes a little tricky, not a distraction that was welcome.

The timed runs were uneventful, and first round of eliminations came up quickly. Ellis's good fortune from Friday night did not carry over to the Challenge. He was paired up with the series coordinator Edgar Perez. Edgar cut a .030 light and ran .01 over his dial while Ellis ran .04 over his dial. That wasn't good enough and Ellis got to go home early. Jerry's day was also cut short in the first round as he did not advance either. I got paired up with another C4 driver and to my surprise was dialed in at .03 **OVER** my dial!!! Cool I thought, a heads up race! this is going to be fun. Well after 60' the race was over as I had a car length lead by then. I cruised into the second round. By the second round my car was pretty hot and when it's hot it tends to run slower. So I increased my dial. Once again my car did not behave. I was ahead at the line so I let off the gas and coasted across the finish line first 2 MPH slower than normal. But my win light did not come on! Once again another quick run with a hot car for a break-out run puts me on the trailer (if I had one)!

So just past mid way thru the season Ellis and I are tied in 9th place, and Jerry is within striking distance of the top 10. With 4 points races left all three of us are in good position to finish off the year well. We just have to get past round three without running each other.

Corvette Challenge racers get just about a month off as our next race is August 22nd. East Coast Supercharging is sponsoring an HPDE event at NJ Motorsports Park on August 17th & 18th. They will be running the Lightning course on one day and the Thunder course the next day. That should be fun! And on August 2nd The Philly SCCA will be running an autocross in Warminster Community Park. So if you would like to run your Vette the way it was designed to run, you have a number of choices to do so.

Till next month, "Race On"
Doug Bereczki

Revised... Cruise to Newport, R.I. Mansions

*** * * * *** PLEASE NOTE CHANGES *** * * * ***

The date of the trip has been changed and the Wine & Food Festival will go on without us. When I began gathering info about the trip nobody up there was able to give me much info about the Festival. However, I was able to find out that tickets to the 2008 Festival were \$100 per person for one day only from noon to 4pm. Also the Festival is held on the grounds of one of the mansions that will be closed to tours during the festival. After contacting some of the people (*I called everyone that had signed up but not everyone was home*) to discuss attending the Festival, it was unanimous that the price tag for the Wine & Food tasting Festival was too steep. So we decided to reschedule the trip to the next weekend. This I believe will work to our advantage. All the mansions will be open, less people in town, more parking available and for those that planned to go to the OC NJ show still can (*it is on the same day*). I checked to see what the average temps are for that time of year up there and we can expect around 63 F, for those of you that are hoping to see the leaves changes you will need to go back towards the end of October. Lastly I found a little extra side trip that we will incorporate, a 10 mile scenic Oceanside cruise. I hope the change does not create any problems. Thanks Don

***NEW DATE:* When: October 2nd to the 5th
Where: Newport, Rhode Island**

What the heck is this about?

In Newport R.I. there are a group of [mansions](http://www.newportmansions.org) that were built during America's gilded age by Industrial Giants such as Carnegie, Vanderbilt etc...The Newport Mansions Organization www.newportmansions.org has returned the mansions to their original condition and has opened them for public viewing.

Why am I telling you this?

We are putting together a road trip to tour the Mansion at Newport, RI its about 260 miles a 5 to 6 hour drive from Willow Grove, PA (depending on the strength of your bladder). We will drive up on Friday Oct.2nd check into the Hotel (TBD) go to dinner (TDB). Saturday and Sunday will be spent touring the mansions. Sometime during the weekend we will take a 10 mile scenic ocean drive cruise which was highly recommended. Monday will be the drive home

Cost?

If we get 20 or more people interested in the trip the cost for mansion tickets are \$26 per/person if less than 20 people the cost is \$31 p/p. I am presently looking into hotel accommodations, but have to warn you it's a tourist attraction and it won't be cheap. Once I find a hotel it will be up to the individual to book their room. This will not be a structured tour; you may follow the group or go off on your own. You may even find your own accommodations if you wish. This is a rain or shine trip. You can drive your Vette or your Mini Van. As a matter of fact, if you can defray the cost by carpooling with another couple if you wish. Whatever floats your boat is fine.

If you are interested in going on this road trip you can email me at dpterranova@yahoo.com visit the CCDV website and post your comments there or call me at 215-794-7393 (leave a message and I'll call you back). Once I get more details on accommodations I'll sent them out as well as posting them on the [CCDV](#) website under upcoming events.



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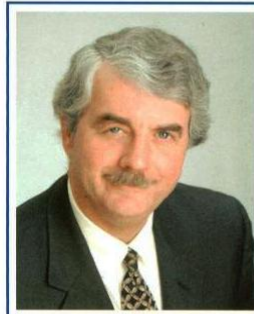
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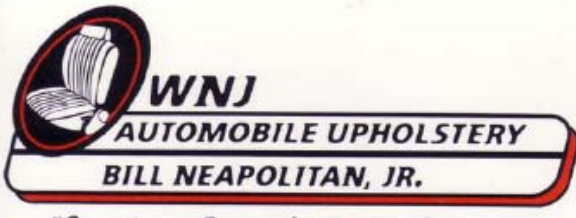
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Thank you, *Dave Peterson*

Highlights from the July 16, 2009 CCDV Board Meeting

- ✓ The 2008 taxes were completed and a report was provided.
- ✓ There are 50 people signed up for the Poker Run.
- ✓ Approximately 55 people are signed up for the picnic.
- ✓ We agreed to reimburse John Benischek \$35 to cover the cost of the “no shows” at the Simone Museum event. No vote is needed since the cost is under \$50 and the President has the option to approve the expense.
- ✓ A motion was passed to accept one new member East Coast Supercharging.
- ✓ Total membership stands at 535 members.
- ✓ The Board would like to thank Marlene for her hard work at the Cavalcade.
- ✓ The Board would also like to recognize Jacques Etkowicz for his leadership at the show. He kept everyone focused on making it a success and kept our spirits up despite the weather.
- ✓ The addition of a separate non-Corvette show combined with the Cavalcade for next year was discussed. Ed Bonk asked to have a plan presented at the next Board meeting.
- ✓ The committee handling the “Help Me” book wants to survey the membership for interest. If they do not confirm a minimum of 100 participants then they will cancel the effort.

Upcoming Events



Sunday, August 9 – Be There to Go There



Monday, August 10 – CCDV Marksman Night – contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or wburkholder4@comcast.net



Thursday, August 13 – CCDV General Membership Meeting



Saturday, August 15 – CCDV Cruise Night



Saturday, August 22 – ECSCC Drag Racing



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