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For January

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ed Bonk



Well it's **February** and it won't be long before our outdoor activities start up. I can hardly wait until the tops are off or down, walking around the car shows in a t-shirt, caravanning together on the open roads or just sitting and drinking a cold one looking at our Corvette(s). Yes, it won't be long.

The month of **January** was slow but there was the Sunday brunch at the **William Penn Inn** and everyone who attended had a great time. The January General Membership meeting guest speaker was **Keith Egan** from **RW Mallon** whose company specializes in auto painting and equipment. Keith talked about his company while an air brush demonstration was being performed. Our CCDV logo with flames coming off it in the background was the item getting air brushed and it was given away as part of the 50/50 raffle. Since they could not finish it that night it will be presented to the winner (**Joe Gries**) at the February GM meeting. During the General Membership meeting I presented the second 2008 semi-annual President's award to **Dennis Levitt** for his dedication and efforts in assisting CCDV in many ways the five years he's been a member. (See Page 4).

In **March** we have the trip planned to the **Atlantic City** car show and auction. The General Membership meeting guest speaker will be **Jeff Duda** who is the New Jersey Co-Captain for the 2009 caravan to Bowling Green, KY. He will give details of the trip and also have information concerning the Pennsylvania caravan.

Since sales at our CCDV store have been slow this winter the Board decided to give a **50%** discount on selected items each month. I will announce at our monthly meeting what item(s) will be discounted and the discount will last until the next meeting.

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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)

This is a great opportunity for everyone to purchase CCDV clothes or other items that can be proudly worn or displayed.

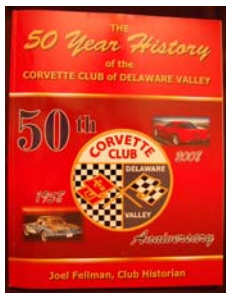
As everyone is aware I am always looking at ways to make things better within the club. One area I feel we can focus on is improving our participation numbers for certain events. Our Activity Chairpersons, both current and past, have worked very hard in planning various activities for our members. What I have noticed the last couple of years is that the number of participants for some of these activities is low. The activities planned are of the best quality and a lot of fun. Such items as brunches, dinners, caravans through the country side, rallies are many more than what other clubs do for their members. So with that said why are our participant numbers low for some of these events. I realize that we can't attend every activity but with almost **600** members our numbers could be better. So this is where I need your assistance. What could the club do to improve in this area? What new activity would interest you that could be looked into? I would appreciate your feedback by either calling me or send me an e-mail. Also at the April meeting I will be conducting my first of two 2009 'Open Forums' so this will be a topic we can discuss. The club is for the members so let's continue to build on your thoughts and ideas.

In looking ahead to March's meeting **Kenny Shaw** will be our guess speaker. He is the person who is organizing the '**Strickly Corvette**' show at the Atlantic City convention center in April. We have approximately 15 members whose cars will be in the show and the '**Walk of Fame**'.

Always reminder you can view all our activities for the year on our website as well as sign up for them in the calendar.

I wish you and your families the best

Ed



**“Hear Ye – Hear Ye
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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

CCDV 2008 Semi-Annual President's Award

Early in **2005** I ask 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 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 due to 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 second **2008** recipient of this award was presented to **Dennis Levitt** at January's meeting whose contributions and effort since he joined the club a few years ago exceeded expectations. When I first became President I was looking for a Public Relations Chairperson and I wanted the club to be more involved with the community. Dennis volunteered to be that person and also came forward with the idea of co-sponsoring a safe driving event involving local high schools. This started our annual **SADD** conference which we co-sponsor with the Montgomery County Health Department and is now entering into our fourth year. Dennis was also the driving force in sending out letters to 50 Corvette clubs (one for each state) and creating the on-line map on our web site. When you click on a particular state it shows the response from the Corvette club in that state. He also assisted **Dennis Trayes** and **Joel Fellman** in creating the 50th anniversary Logo and memory CD which was distributed and shown at the banquet. On multiple occasions he has donated to help fund such events as the **SADD** conference, our annual scholarship grant and other CCDV activities.

Should you see Dennis in your passing please congratulate him on these efforts put forth to our club and it's members.

For your information past recipients of this award are **Don Terranova** and **Joel Fellman (2005)**, **John Tambourine** and **Dennis Trayes (2006)**, **Rose Ferrante** and **Bob Weiss (2007)**, **Tim Simmons** and **Dennis Levitt (2008)**.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS CONTINUED

28: Ed Bird, Michael Revak, Jeannette Dash

29: Mary Ellen Greene

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Going Racing

by Doug
Bereczki



Well so far this winter has been long, cold, and wet. Not ideal for driving a Vette let alone racing. And, looking at the calendar, it's only half over! So I thought I would report on last year's wrap-up and post some schedules of up coming events for 09.

At the conclusion of last season's Corvette Challenge DVCC had three drivers finish in the top 25. Joe Signore finished strong during the last half of the season and ended up in 11th place. In doing so, he earned a spot in the **Top 16 Gamblers Invitational** race. That race will be held on March 14th. 11th place also earned Joe the highest finish in the club. I on the other hand did not finish strong during the last half of the season. I fell to 17th place, one spot out of the top 16. Ellis Gray finally got his Vette sorted out and climbed up to the 25th spot. If he continues this year where he left off last year, Ellis looks to be a strong contender this up coming season.

Now looking forward to 09, here is the schedule for the Corvette Challenge at Raceway Park, Englishtown NJ.

E1	March 14	9:30	N,16
E2	March 21	9:30	T
E3	April 4	9:30	P,E
E4	April 11	9:30	T
E5	May 9	9:30	P,E
E6	June 6	9:30	T
E7	July 11	9:30	P,E
E8	July 25	9:30	T
E9	August 22	9:30	P,E
E10	October 10	9:30	T
E11	October 24	9:30	P,E
E12	October 31	9:30	16

More information can be found at the Challenge web site. <http://www.corvettechallenge.info/> As you can see, all the start times are at 9:30 AM. Raceway Park has changed the Saturday format for 09. There will no longer be an afternoon session.

The Vettes vs. GTO race is back for 09! This year the event will be held at Raceway Park. With the date of April 25th at 9:00 AM it should be a lot warmer than last year!!! As it was last year this will also be a bracket race. There is talk about a top 8 race also, the fastest 4 Vettes and the fastest 4 GTO's, but that has not been finalized yet.

Also back for the 22nd year, is the annual Corvette Show & Go. This year it will be on August 1st at 9:00AM at Raceway Park. The Show and Go is always a fun event. The racing is relaxed compared to the Corvette Challenge. For many of the people in the bracket race, it is the only time they race their car each year. If you want to do more than just drive in a straight line, there is also an autocross race on the road course.

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The NMCA is organizing a new event this year. It's being billed as the NMCA C4/C5/C6 Shootout. This will be a Vette only race at Beech Bend Raceway in Bowling Green KY, May 1st thru May 3rd. It looks like this event will attract Vette racers from the whole East Coast. More info can be found here. <http://forums.corvetteforum.com/nmca-c4-c5-c6-shootout/2230845-may-1-3-c4-c5-c6-shootout-corvette-rumble.html> and here <http://forums.corvetteforum.com/nmca-c4-c5-c6-shootout-149/> Since there will not be a National Corvette Challenge this year, this may be the next best thing.

Now for the people that want to use their steering wheel, Track Time 4 Cars will be holding an event at NJ Motorsports Park in Millville NJ on March 21st and 22nd. I have not been to this course yet, but some of our members have. From what I have heard, this is a very nice facility. And it's close to home! More info about the March event can be found here. <http://www.tracktime4cars.com/index.php>

That's all I have for now. I'm really looking forward to the warmer weather and up coming race season. Hope to see a lot of you at Englishtown on the 14th of March to support and cheer for Joe in the top 16 race.

Doug Berezcki

"BLASTS FROM THE PAST"

Once again, for all you CCDV history buffs out there, here's another segment of what was going on 10+ years ago. Don't say I didn't warn you.

1/90 – A mini-questionnaire is included in the Gas Cap to get members responses to things they like/dislike about CCDV plus suggestions for activities, events, speakers, etc.

2/90 – After a Rep from Meguiar's Mirror Glaze speaks at the General Membership meeting, the Gas Cap includes tips on getting professional car wash results. Nancy Simmons designs the red, white & blue – 20th Annual Cavalcade T-shirt and 29 acres across from the Corvette Assembly Plant in Bowling Green, KY are donated for the site of the National Corvette Museum.

3/90 – Another Bowling Party is held at Pike Lanes arranged by the Fellman's.

4/90 – Tim Simmons plus Sue & Joel Fellman meet with the Peterson's to revitalize CCDV's connection with Bryner Chevrolet.

5/90 – The General Membership meeting is held at Bryner Chevrolet where we are given a demonstration of the GM Diagnostic – Computer Auto Maintenance Systems (CAMS). No official Gas Cap is published – instead, just a letter was issued to inform members of upcoming events and to emphasize involvement and participation in the 20th Annual Cavalcade. Cavalcade T-shirts go on sale for \$7. (\$6. to Club members). Ray Compton, elder CCDV member, passes away at the tender age of "93"

6/90 – The 20th Annual Cavalcade is held at the Naval Air Development Center in Warminster. The main feature is Tim Delp's 1965 white coup which was recently recovered after being stolen from him in 1973! CCDV purchases its first Club storage trailer and ground breaking takes place for the NCM.

7/90 – With Club membership on the rise, the General Membership meeting is a packed house. Members attend the Feasterville July 4th Parade. New Club jackets arrive and a great group photo from the Cavalcade is offered to members at cost.

8/90 – In the Gas Cap, Ed McGinty writes about his trip to Bloomington in his '65 ragtop with his son, Pat and Bruce Waldron writes about his trip with Diane to Williamsburg, VA for the NCRS National Convention also in their '65 ragtop.

9/90 – The events: "Corvettes For Kids" in Bally, PA and CCDV Vettes at the Montgomery Commons Shopping Center were both well attended. We also take the Best Club Participation trophy at the Tri-State Corvette Assn. show at Lafferty Chev. in Warminster. Randy Riggs, Vette Magazine's Editor-in-Chief, becomes connected with CCDV and is invited to attend the Hot Dog Run. CCDV continues to join WOGL-FM in their summer "Flashback to the 50's" publicity campaign.

10/90 – Jeff Hey is praised for his new member recruitment efforts. The Hot Dog Run includes 20 CCDV Corvettes (plus 4 non-Vettes) and stops at Hot Dog Johnny's in Buttsville, NJ. (How they came up with the name of that town, I really don't want to know!) A decision is made to relocate our General Membership meetings from Giuseppe's Pizza in Richboro to Cucci's Restaurant on York Road (Rt. 263) between County Line & Street Roads in Warminster. And after 2 years, I relinquish the CCDV Presidency to Barry Jandla and become Chairman of the Board.

11/90 – The Cavalcade Awards Banquet is held on board the Spirit of Philadelphia & 25 CCDV Vettes take part in the Hatboro Parade.

Joel

Dennis Winokur



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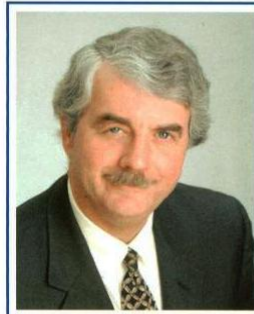
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At our October general membership meeting an idea was proposed by Bob Weiss that we put together a "Corvette Club of Delaware Valley Break Down Assistance Directory". This would involve members volunteering to put their name, Town and preferably Cell phone number on to a directory that will be downloadable and printable from our web site by members. Members can keep a printed copy in their cars and should a member have an issue/break down with their car you would agree to help out in whatever way you can. This was discussed at length at the most recent board of directors meeting and all felt it was a great idea. I am asking for a volunteer to administer this program. Mailing List or MS Excel experience would be a plus! Contact me if you are interested.

Ed



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Thank you, *Dave Peterson*

Join us for a fun day in Atlantic City! Saturday, February 28 @ 9:00am.

Our day will include (if you choose) the Atlantic City Classic Car Show/Auction at the Convention Center and time in Trump Plaza Casino or just free time to do as you choose.

If you prefer to plan your own time, just join us on the bus (\$24.25 per person which includes the bus driver's tip), and you will receive the Casino package of \$15.00 cash and \$5.00 food. Your friends are welcome, too, they do not need to be club members to go on the trip. No children allowed on the bus, per casino rules. A Hagey's Deluxe Motor Coach is reserved for us and can hold 45 very comfortably!

The bus pick-up has been changed from Montgomeryville to Warminster. We will leave the Eagle Diner parking lot, York and Street Roads, at 9:00am and leave Atlantic City at 6:00pm. returning back to the Eagle Diner approx. 8:00pm.

Bus tickets must be prepaid by sending check to Paul or Ginny Wydominic, 120 Deer Run Road, Perkasio, PA 18944 and received by February 13.

We can no longer order discount show tickets (those orders had to be in before January 31). So, if you plan to do the Car Show you will need to buy your tickets at the door for \$20.00.

If interested please respond by calling Paul or Ginny 215-453-7994, or email vwydominic@verizon.net.

Our February trip is a great way to break the winter blues, so let's make it happen. The Atlantic City Boardwalk is calling us to hit the boards and enjoy the salt air.



Buy - Sell - Trade

For Sale: 1972 Corvette Rear, 336 Posi - \$450.00 (215) 675-3051 Home, (215) 514-4228 Cell. 10/08

For Sale: 1995 Coupe. Stock LT1 runs strong w/300 HP. Polo II Green Metallic, Light Beige Leather interior. Automatic. 90,000 miles. Loaded with Elect. Air Cond, Delco-Bose stereo w/CD & Cassette. 6 way power seats. 2nd owner, garaged & in very good condition. Looking for \$11,500. OBO (new sticker price = \$39,704.) If interested or know someone who is, please call Sue or Joel Fellman (215) 969-0392. Thank you. 09/08

For Sale: 1993 40th Anniversary Conv. Ruby Red, 22,320 miles, 2008 state insp. auto, new battery & tires, pwr seats, auto temp control, Bose AM/FM, Cass, CD, all docs, showroom cond. \$33,500 firm, sincere buyers only call 215-355-1162 after 7 PM 11/08

For Sale:

- 1. TWO BLACK POWDER COATED 2002 FACTORY Z06 WHEELS WITH Z06 GOODYEAR SUPERCAR TIRES (REAR, P295/35ZR-18), VERY GOOD REMAINING TREAD.....\$500.00
- 2. 2002 OWNER'S MANUAL KIT WITH VHS TAPE (AS NEW).....\$50.00
- 3. 2001-2004 KEYLESS TRANSMITTER.....\$25.00
- 4. 2002 C5 FACTORY SERVICE MANUAL SET (3 VOL, AS NEW) ECKLER'S PRICE \$199.99,.....\$100.00
- 5. CUSTOM C5 SPARE TIRE KIT (FITS FRONT, REAR & C4 AS WELL) CONSISTS OF NEVER USED SPARE + CUSTOM MACHINED SPACERS TO CLEAR CALIPERS, ETC.....\$200.00

**Contact Richy at:
215-893-1203**

06/08

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. These listings are free to CCDV members.

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

CAVALCADE UPDATE

This year we will be adding an Oriental Auction (I selected the more PC term) to the Cavalcade. We are seeking donations of goods and services that can be packaged for the auction. Examples of items that we are looking for are wine, spirits, etc that can made into a basket of cheer, Coffee, gift cards to Starbucks - you get the idea. Let your imagination run wild. No reasonable donation will be declined. If you know of any business owners that may be interested in providing samples of their goods or an introductory service please take the time to ask that they consider donating. I have seen other clubs have these auctions with success, but it takes a commitment from the members to make it happen. If you have any donations or question please contact me at 267-625-4553 or send me a PM. Thank you in advance for your support.

Jacques

2009 CCDV Cruise Nights

held at Lowes parking lot on Rt. 611 and Street Road in Warrington
from 4:30PM to 8:30PM.

As in the past they are held the third Saturday of the following months:

April 18 ~ May 16 ~ June 20 ~ July 18

August 15 ~ September 19 ~ October 17

As always ... Free Admission --- Trophies and Door Prizes

**Come on out for our special evening!
Spend a few hours walking around ...
eating a soft pretzel ...
and showing off your car.**

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1/8 Page	\$60.00	1/8 Page	\$72.00
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Full Page	\$480.00	Full Page	\$576.00

Non Members

Full Page	1 Month	\$90.00
Full Page	3 Months	\$185.00
Full Page	6 Months	\$290.00



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
ccdvt@verizon.net

Thanks so much for your help in this effort!

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Highlights from the January 15, 2009 CCDV Board Meeting

- ✓ Preparation and filing of taxes and the review of the Treasurer's books were discussed. The Board is searching for a club member to assist in these efforts. Currently, no one has been identified.
- ✓ Paul Wydominic is exploring other activities for upcoming club events. Some suggestions under consideration are a Texas Hold'em Night and a Murder Mystery Dinner.
- ✓ A beautiful 2004 six-speed coupe with 3,500 miles was purchased by CECF as the next raffle car. This year there will be 2,600 tickets for sale.
- ✓ In order to reduce the club store excess inventory, the Board proposed to sell items at a reduced cost. The plan is to have Ed Bonk announce in the Gas Cap that a particular item will be sold at a reduced price at the next meeting. We intend to do this on a monthly basis until the inventory goals are met.
- ✓ No volunteers from the membership stepped forward to take on the role of obtaining speakers for the meetings. This is an important aspect of the monthly meeting agenda as it makes for great discussions.
- ✓ The Board is looking into car mounted club logo flags. One particular vendor handles car mounts for Corvettes dating as far back as 1956. We are sending art work to the vendor and will request a sample for our evaluation.
- ✓ Ed Bonk asked everyone to think about ways to improve the club. One key topic that was discussed was better participation at events which continues to be an area of concern.
- ✓ The final version of the 50th party and picnic video. Joel would like to distribute copies to the people who attended these events. John Tambourine volunteered to attempt to make copies.

Upcoming Events

-  **Monday, February 9th – CCDV Marksman Night** – contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or wburkholder4@comcast.net
-  **Thursday, February 12th – General Membership Meeting**
-  **Saturday, February 28th – Atlantic City Car Show/Auction** (page 10)
-  **Thursday, March 12th – General Membership Meeting**



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MEETING INFORMATION

Second Thursday of every month at 8:00 PM
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130 Davisville Road, Warminster, PA
(between Street Road and County Line Road)

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