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## New Members

No New Members for  
December

559 Members as of  
December, 31, 2010

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Our official CCDV Website.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ed Bonk



I would like to start off by hoping everyone had a great holiday and spent a lot of dedicated time with your families. I also want to wish everyone a happy New Year and hope everything works in your favor throughout the year.

Our web site was down due to a server problem as well as the hosting site not being very supportive. We are looking to change sites. I apologize for the inconvenience.

I will begin my **Seventh** year as President this month and I'm very much looking forward to it as well as keeping CCDV a '**Premier**' club. Additionally, I look at the makeup of **CCDV** as a '**Tripod**' infrastructure; Business, Entertainment, and Compassion (**See Page 5**) and I will continue to support and build on this in **2011**. Every January I have it printed so the current and new members see what has been added to the '**Tripod**'.

Going into our **53<sup>st</sup>** year I will be breaking my own record of one person being President for **seven** consecutive years, a feat which I am honored by. I'm not sure if I'm doing something right or nobody else wants the job but either way I am very honored. I could not perform in this role if it were not for my Officers, Board Members, Chairperson's and every club member who supported me throughout this tenure. This support includes everyone who has volunteered to assist with our activities or participated in them. For that support I want to thank everyone. For the new members I will list in this months Gas Cap the key changes that happen (**See Page 4**) within my last **6** years by having everyone's support. I join the club in **1998** when a fellow CCDV member and a person who I worked with (**Paul Burbank**) asked me to join him at the April meeting. After the meeting I sent in my application and began volunteering to help with some of the activities. I had no clue that in the future I would end up being the President of this '**Premier**' club. I was elected to the Board in my **5th** and **6th** year

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# January Birthdays

- |                    |                       |
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| 2 Joel Fellman     | Kathy Applegate       |
| Billie Satchell    | 19 Louis Cipollo      |
| 3 Michael Davis    | 24 Jeanne Pfaff       |
| 4 Ellis Gray       | 25 Jacques Etkowicz   |
| 6 Dennis Traves    | John Fruncillo        |
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| 13 John McKinnon   | 30 Anthony Buonassisi |
| 14 Sarkis Tashjian | Ted DeLeone           |
| 15 Maryann Fisher  | James Fischer         |
| 16 Helene Bierman  | Ronald Landes         |
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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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another feat I felt honored by. The past **12** years have been great and challenging at times but I actually enjoyed being a member of the club during those years. I met a lot of great people both internal and external to the club and look forward to meeting many more. In **2011** I will continue to look for ways to improve or change things that would be in the best interest of the club.

The month of **December** did not have many activities but the holiday party was a lot of fun. It was held at the '**Buck Hotel**' with approximately **70** people in attendance. Every year at the beginning of the party we present checks to the charities we support but choose not to do that this year. This gave us more time to party and enjoy ourselves. We will present the checks either at the January GM meeting or mail them if a representative can not make it that night. Great job to everyone who has worked hard in making this happen. After dinner the DJ (Who was excellent) got some of us into a dancing mood and you would be surprised at how good some of the members can dance. I want to thank **Miriam Rogers** and **Chris Terranova** for a job well done organizing the party.

In **January** the guest speaker will be **Randy Barber**, a representative of **Amsoil**, who also advertises in our Gas Cap. There is also the trip to Longwood Gardens (**SEE PAGE 7**).

I wish you and your families the best

*Ed*

## **CRUISE NIGHT 2010**

The CCDV monthly Cruise Nights have become the place to be for local car enthusiasts. I hear more and more people saying good things about our Cruise Nights. We had great turnouts each month friendly people and never any problems. This year we introduced music. We have a professional PA system from which we play music all evening from the 60s and 70s via satellite radio. We also doubled the number of trophies awarded from 21 to 42 for the season. Bob Rosenberg and Glenn Murphy sent out letters to companies such as Mothers wax, Jeg's etc... asking for donations to use as door prizes. This paid off we were able to give away nice door prizes each month. You know, the best part of Cruise Night is that it does not cost the club a penny. We take in enough money from the sodas & pretzels we sell for a dollar each as well as the 50/50 to pay for the entire event. As a matter of fact at the September's Cruise night we grilled away 350 hot dogs as a way of saying thank you to the people who support us. Now for the big surprise not only does this not cost the club a single penny but after everything is paid for we made close to \$1000 which is added to the club funds to be donated to our charities. Not bad huh?

See you next year!

Don Terranova

Thanks for helping throughout the year:

Tony & Rose, Ken & Debbie, Rich & Miriam, Loretta, John B.

Tony Foggia for helping as well as donating \$50 out of the 50/50 he won in July and giving it back to the club.

And many more you know who you are.

# CCDV CHANGES (2005 – 2010)

Within the last **six** years the club has gone through some significant changes. This all happen due to the club being faced with circumstances that warranted these changes such as a growing membership, more diversity with age and gender and having '**Open Forums**' at the General Membership meetings where members can speak out. The outcome of these forums was very beneficial and instrumental in moving forward with change. Beside these '**Open Forums**', I also get E-mails, Voice-mails or have face to face discussions with members concerning changes.

Here is a re-cap of the past **five** years. The changes are listed in 'NO' particular order.

- \* A new location for the General Membership meetings. Moved from the VFW in Willow Grove to the VE club in Warminster. A larger meeting room, roped off parking and very good food.
- \* One day venue for the Cavalcade show. Moving from the two day indoor show to a one day outdoor show.
- \* Initiated the CCDV President's semi-annual award for those members who exceed expectation either currently or in the past with their efforts in helping the club.
- \* Started paying for the Sponsorship of our CCDV racing team at Englishtown.
- \* Created a Scholarship fund for two students each year to go to a local trade school.
- \* Twice moved our Cruise night to a new location due the growth and popularity of the show.
- \* Changed the picnic location to the VE club which has better activities for the children and a pool.
- \* Hosted the annual Corvette Big Roundup being held at Walnutport, Pa.
- \* Partnered with the annual Doylestown Oktoberfest and hosted a car show.
- \* Created a General Membership meeting survey to get a pulse check on how the members perceive the meeting and what changes could be made.
- \* Partnered with the Montgomery County Board of Health to co-host the annual Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) safe driving and anti-drug conference.
- \* Changed the time and location of the holiday party from the VFW in Warminster to the Buck hotel.
- \* Created a Public Relations Chairperson position to better focus on our marketing efforts.
- \* Created a Special Projects Chairperson position to better focus on such initiatives as 1) having Multi-Sponsorships and 2) partner with businesses that will give us a club discount.
- \* Celebrated CCDV's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a memorable Banquet, Picnic and Logo.
- \* Initiated a CCDV 'Help Each Other' member list for those that need roadside assistance.
- \* Sponsored the 'Slow Drag' as part of the 'Corvettes for Chip' show put on by the Keystone Corvette club

Even with all these changes my commitment to the club will never stop if there is room for improvement or a better way to best suit the membership.

Ed

## CCDV TRIPOD INFRASTRUCTURE

Ed Bonk

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 breaks down these components and shows the items that fall within them both past and present.

### **BUSINESS**

- \* General Membership Meetings
- \* Board Meetings
- \* CECF
- \* Web Site
  - E-Commerce
  - On-Line Club store, Car & parts sales, membership
- \* Financial Operating Plan
- \* Raffle Car Sales
- \* Preferred Partner with Pep Boys
- \* Lifetime Business Member with the National Corvette Museum
- \* Bryner Chevrolet Partnership and member discount program
- \* CCDV President's Award
- \* CCDV Specialty License Plate

### **ENTERTAINMENT**

- \* General Activities
  - Roving Breakfast
  - Brunch's
  - Dinners
  - Caravans
  - Bowling
  - Marksmen Night
  - CCDV Picnic
  - CCDV Holiday Party
- \* Auto Cross
- \* Entering Various Car Shows
- \* Cavalcade of Corvette Show
- \* CCDV Racing
- \* CCDV Cruise Nights
- \* Oreland Parade
- \* Willow Grove Parade
- \* Hulmeville Parade
- \* Hatboro Thanksgiving Parade

### **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
  - Warrington Ambulance
  - Gilda's Club of Delaware Valley
  - Alzheimer's Research Foundation
  - MS Walk for the Cure
- \* Linda Murphy Memorial Trophy
- \* Donating food to the Manna Org
- \* Assisting Members during Bereavement
- \* Support our Wounded Troops Day
- \* St. Vincent's Orphanage Toy Run
- \* Willow Grove Fantasy Flight for Disabled & Terminally Ill Children
- \* Volunteering Time for other club car Shows
- \* Trade School Scholarship Fund
- \* Won the 2009 EAGLE ONE Golden Rule award for the Eastern region for outstanding community service
- \* Initiated a CCDV 'Help Each Other' member list for those that need roadside assistance.
- \* Christ's Home for Children (Christmas in July)

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 other things beside Corvettes. This is truly the best car club in the world.

Thanks everyone.

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(This is a rain or shine event.)

Happy New Year to all!

John Benischeck



The following list shows the various charities our charitable arm of the CCDV - the CECF - gave out this past year. Thanks to all of you for your outstanding efforts to be able to help so many others less fortunate than us during this tough economy! We - and our Club - should be very proud!

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation:	\$3000.00
Sunshine Foundation:	\$4000.00
Manna On Main Street:	\$3500.00
St. Mary's Villa:	\$4000.00
Multiple Sclerosis Foundation:	\$1500.00
Warrington Ambulance Assoc.:	\$400.00
Variety Childrens Charity:	\$400.00
TOTAL	<hr/> \$16,800.00

Thanks, Dave Bresler

## **Longwood Gardens**

Just a short heads up. On January 8, 2011 we will be putting together a CCDV trip to Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, PA. We will also be stopping along the way for dinner. Stay tuned for details.

Don Terranova



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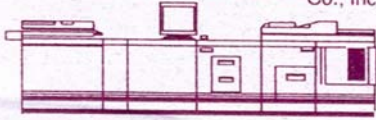


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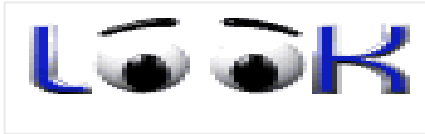
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# ***Highlights from the December 9, 2010 CCDV Board Meeting***

- ✓ Don Terranova will remain as Activities Chairperson until his personal plans are firmed up or unless someone else wants the position.
- ✓ Debbie Traves is putting together a Murder Mystery Dinner at Peddler's Village
- ✓ We are NOT planning to organize a trip to the Atlantic City Car Show.
- ✓ The issue of outdated "stickies" was addressed and confirmed that they have been removed.
- ✓ No (0) new membership application(s) were received. Total membership stands at 559 members. Renewal invoices were mailed out on Monday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>.  
A motion was passed to send BurstNET a check for \$114.95 to bring our balance current for this month.
- ✓ The "Help Me" list will be put into an Adobe .pdf format that can be retrieved on the website by members only.

## ***Upcoming Events***



**Saturday, January 8 – Longwood Gardens Christmas Display tour**



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



**Thursday, January 13 – CCDV General Membership Meeting**



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