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Michael & Jeny Davis 2005 Med Red Metallic Coupe

Nicholas Mazzuca 2002 Yellow Convertible

Anthony Clements Sr. 2006 Red Coupe

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Ed Bonk



I want to start my message with a 'Thank you' to everyone who has sent me an e-mail, called me or replied on the web site in support of the passing of my mother three days ago. My Mom was a very independent and religious women who lived for her family. She lived alone in her house and at 93 1/2 years old did a lot of things on her own with her house, etc. I was very fortunate with her good health and love. She will be missed.

June was a month with a lot of activity. Cruise night was again another success as well as our monthly racing. The roving Breakfast was at **Cheeburger Cheeburger** in Chalfont, Pa. and there were approximately **20** club members in attendance having a lot of fun. This is the only place I know that has **36** toppings that you can put on top of a burger and **75** flavors of delicious shakes and malts. The General Membership meeting had a great turnout with approximately **150** people in attendance.

Our 41<sup>th</sup> annual Cavalcade of Corvettes and Custom & Classic show (See Page 6) was a 'Hugh' success. This is our 6th year at Middle Bucks Institute of Technology in Jamison, Pa. and the weather was perfect as well as hot. The number of cars in the Corvette show was 120 and in the Custom & Classic show had 44 with another **7** in the sixty's display. Wow, what a site seeing all those beautiful cars on display and what a sight it was as they all looked great parked in the sun. The VIP Corvette parking had approximately 80 cars most of the day. It was like another show was going on. I had such a great time walking around and talking to everyone and meeting new friends. There was nothing but compliments coming from everyone and some said they were going to join the club. I want to thank all of our volunteers for making this day a success. A couple of the people said to me that other than Carlisle this was the best Corvette show in Pennsylvania. That's saying something about CCDV. My congratulations & thank you goes to Jacques & Marlene Etkowicz, Don Terranova, Dave Bressler and all the people who

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13	David Urbanek	30	Ed Scannapieco
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worked very hard in making this year's show a great one. We had approximately **90** volunteers who all did a fantastic job and I appreciate your time and efforts. A special thanks goes to **Marlene Etkowicz** who spent hundreds of hours knocking on doors, calling people, sending letters and following up on the contributors who committed themselves in donating many gifts for our **'Silent Auction'**. Our goal was to raise **\$1500** for our charities and due to her efforts we exceeded that amount and collected **\$2500** dollars.

For **July**, we have the Oreland **4**<sup>th</sup> **of July** parade that the club participates in every year. This is one parade you do not want to miss. When you talk American tradition, the Oreland parade signifies it in a way it's hard to visualize in this article. Our Corvettes are close to the front of the parade and you drive through the streets of Oreland and see thousands of adults, children and even pets having American flags in their hands or on display. At **10:00** am you see people lining the streets, sitting on their lawns, barbequing, waving to you, shouting 'Nice Car' and you get a natural thrill that's unbelievable. This is as American as '**Motherhood and Apple Pie'**. After the parade we are invited back to the Oreland firehouse by **Dan Supplee**, the Fire Commissioner, for free hot dogs, soda and beer. If you want to participate read the calendar for details. The Roving breakfast will be at the **Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Trevose**, **PA**.

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 apologize for the Gas Cap being mailed late.

I wish you and your family the best.

Ed

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#### NEW MEMBER

My name is Mitch Davis I own a precision red 2005 C-6 Corvette. It is my first Corvette but I have had several other Muscle cars through the years. I owned a 1970 Cougar (429 4speed), a 1976 Trans Am and a 1989 Mustang GT 5.0 convertible. The Corvette is the car I had always wanted but somehow, I always seemed to settle for something else.

I am 46 years old, married with a 15 year old son. I am a career Police Officer and was an Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity brother in college at Temple University. My wife Jenny went to SUNY-Oswego and works for Rite Aid corporation as a Pharmacy Technician (she sells drugs). My son is a sophomore at Council Rock South.

We bought the Corvette as a family hobby. We are looking forward to being involved in club activities and meeting other "car guys". Hopefully it can keep me out of trouble until I retire in 2019.



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Congratulations to Dom Mazzulo of Brigantine NJ our 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of a 2001 navy blue metallic convertible. Joe Remich, Dom Mazzulo, Bob Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$500 goes to Roger Hairford 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$250 goes to Jerold Seiple For tickets go to www.CorvetteRaffle.org



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# Cavalcade Thank You!

I want to thank everyone that came out to support the Cavalcade on June 25. I especially want to thank the volunteers that came out to help on Friday and Saturday, some even volunteering for multiple assignments. Without you giving of your time there would be no Cavalcade. Finally, I want to thank the members of the Cavalcade committee. Most may not know, but to put on the Cavalcade, the committee begins working on the planning 11 months before the event. Thank you, Patty Nolan, John Tambourine, Rich Rogers, Jack Householder, Bill Ehret, Brady Marlow, Russ Parker, Marge Klick, Ken Stacey, Henry Weikel, Dave DJ Bresler, Don Terranova and Marlene.

**Jacques** 

# Oriental Auction Thank You!

The auction this year was a huge success. Thank you to those that contributed items for the auction and to everyone that purchased tickets. Of course, thank you to the many volunteers that spent so much time helping out with organization, sales and distribution. I could not have done it without you.

Marlene



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# Next Corvette Will Be Powered by Small, High-Revving Turbo V-8 "We have to target a very different sort of buyer."

Anxious to attract the sort of high-performance buyers increasingly drawn to European sports cars from the likes of <u>Porsche</u>, <u>Ferrari</u> and <u>Lamborghini</u>, General Motors is planning some major changes for the next-generation <u>Chevrolet Corvette</u> – starting with a high-revving, small-displacement powertrain, that will substitute for the big V-8s traditionally found under the hood of the Chevy two-seater.

GM has approved the use of a very European-style V-8 that will be only slightly larger than 3 liters in displacement. The engine will be an overhead-cam, rather than traditional overhead-valve design, using a dry sump oil system that's particularly well suited to high-performance road courses rather than straight-line acceleration. The engine is expected to feature a narrow 80.5 mm bore and a long stroke, more like a Ferrari or Lamborghini powertrain than the approach used for traditional Motor City metal.

A very senior GM executive also confirmed that the new engine will be turbocharged, which will help yield a broad torque curve and maximum performance under a variety of driving conditions. The engine is expected to deliver in excess of 400 horsepower, which means a specific output in the range of 125 horsepower per liter. That's the sort of number that would help the next-generation Vette stack up well against the likes of a Porsche 911 or Lamborghini Gallardo.

The engine is likely to be extremely high-revving, perhaps climbing to a near-Formula One-class 10,000 RPMs, suggested one source involved in the project.

The revelation tracks in line with a recent comment by General Motors' North American President Mark Reuss, who recently promised that the so-called C7 Corvette, due to market in less than two years, will be "completely different" from the very American sports cars that have come before it. Since its launch in 1953, Corvette has been governed by the philosophy, "there's no replacement for displacement."

While Reuss and other senior executives have declined to discuss plans for the next Corvette publicly, several well-placed sources have given TheDetroitBureau.com a good sense of what's to come. The small V-8 underscores what one of those insiders says is the desire to "target a very different sort of buyer for the next Corvette. Let's face it, the current customer is getting old." But without making significant changes, that source acknowledged, younger sports car fans will continue to be "conquested" by more modern, high-tech imports.

Significantly, Corvette won't abandon its more classic powertrain roots entirely. There will be several different types of engines offered for the C7, including a more classic, big-block OHV V-8 designed to appeal to traditionalists.

In fact, some of the design cues of the new car will be borrowed from early generations. There have even been rumors of the C7 going with the split window of the very collectible 1963 Corvette, though TheDetroitBureau.com has not been able to confirm that that particular detail has been given the go.

Meanwhile, expect the interior to be much more modern than the current car's, which GM's global design chief Ed Welburn admits "is a disappointment." The styling boss, a long-time Corvette fan himself, says he is personally overseeing the development of the C7 interior and promises it will be "absolutely world-class."

Adopting a mid-engine layout, rather than the long-running front-engine design, is considered a strong possibility, though it would be a significant engineering shift for GM. Nonetheless, sources say that wouldn't be entirely out of line, as the Corvette has often served as the technological test bed for the maker.

GM adopted the then-radical approach of using a fiberglass body when the original 1953 Corvette was launched. The sports car has introduced plenty of other features over the years, including the MagneRide suspension, which uses a magnetically controlled fluid to continuously vary suspension settings to match road conditions and driving behavior.

When migrating from the fifth-generation Corvette to today's C6 model, GM trimmed weight and brought the sports car's overall size down to something closer to that of a current Porsche 911. Anticipate further cuts in mass for the upcoming remake of Chevy's halo car.

GM is investing \$131 million in the Bowling Green, Kentucky plant that produces the Corvette to prepare for the C7 launch.

The use of the new small-displacement V-8 is likely to have some knock-on effects at GM, said one source. As with current Corvette powertrain technology, the high-tech engine will find its way into the <u>Cadillac</u> line-up, it appears, where it would help that brand's V-Series evolve into a more sophisticated offering, rather than the brute-force line-up it is today.

The switch to a smaller, turbocharged V-8 isn't exclusive to GM, incidentally. Ford made the move with its big <u>F-Series pickup</u> for 2011, offering a downsized EcoBoost twin-turbo V-6 — which delivers the same sort of towing power as the F-150's biggest V-8, while yielding significant fuel economy improvements.





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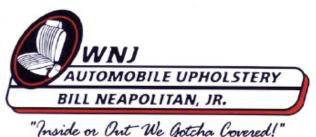
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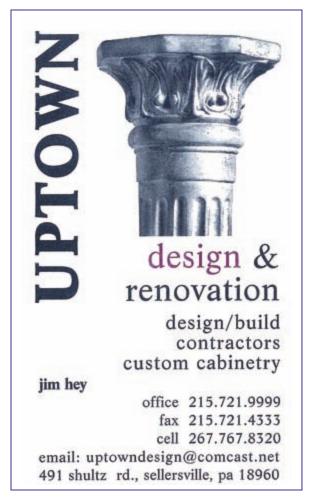
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# Highlights from the June 16, 2011 CCDV Board Meeting

- ✓ The CCDV Annual Picnic is scheduled for 8/6/11 again at Jim & Edy Doan's home in New Hope, PA. We're using the same caterer as last year and the pricing will also be the same.
- ✓ A motion passed for the rental cost of the tents, tables, chairs, etc. not to exceed \$450. (excluding the food cost)
- ✓ We are once again invited to lead the Oreland July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. Dan Supplee has also again invited attendees to stop by the fire house for some goodies after the parade ends.
- ✓ A motion passed to accept seven (7) new membership application(s): Anthony Clements, Sr. (Red 2006 coupe), Nicholas Mazzuca (2002 Yellow convert.), Mitchell Davis and Jenny Davis (spousal member) (2005 Red coupe), Joel Shafer (1998 White convert.), Vincent Char (2005 Burgandy convert.) and Michael Hudock (seeking to purchase a Corvette). Total membership stands at 520 members (380 full members + 140 spousal).
- ✓ A motion passed to purchase 72 red CCDV embroidered hats at a very reasonable cost of \$4.20 @ plus shipping for the Club store.
- ✓ A motion passed to purchase 10 Club flags @ \$12. for the Club store.

### **Upcoming Events**



Sunday, July 10 – CCDV Breakfast at the Cracker Barrel



Monday, July 11 - CCDV Marksman Night - contact Bill Burkholder (afternoon & evening only) 215-343-5968 or <a href="www.wburkholder4@comcast.net">wburkholder4@comcast.net</a>



Thursday, July 14 - CCDV General Membership Meeting



Saturday, July 16 - CCDV Cruise Night

Wednesday, July 20 – Moravian Tile Works Car Show (Doylestown)



Saturday, July 23 – Racing Schedule 7/23 Saturday, July 23 – Allentown Museum Event



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#### **MEETING INFORMATION**

Second Thursday of every month at 8:00 PM (except December)

Vereinigung Erzgebirge (VE) Club 130 Davisville Road, Warminster, PA (between Street Road and County Line Road)

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