

CCDV Membership:

The current membership consists of:

239 Members

102 Spousal

341 Total Members

New Members in August 2021:

Jim Monaghan,
2006 Coupe

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT SEPTEMBER 2021

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer regardless of the heat waves and storms.

The **August** General Membership meeting was being threatened with an afternoon thunder shower, so we conducted the meeting inside the **VFW**. And as my luck goes it didn't rain but it would have if it was held outside. In attendance was about **40 members** to include **2** new members and as always everyone had a good time.

The **September** meeting will be outside the **VFW** in **Warminster** on **September 15th** starting at **7:00 pm**. If you have gotten both vaccine shots, you will not need a mask to go inside the building. Since we could not walk around outside last meeting instead of a guest speaker this month as we will try again to walk around the parking lot and having members, especially our new members, talk about their cars and experience in wanting a Corvette. This will also make the new members feel welcomed and a part of the club. Let's hope for nice weather.

The web site is getting better every month. You can see what it looks like by going to the website (www.ccdv.com). Should you have problems logging in contact **Tom Weigand** at Webmaster@ccdv.com. If you have any pictures to submit from past activities send them to **Tom**.

Laurie Long, who for the first time, did a super job in producing the **August** Gas Gap. Thank you **Laurie**.

Thanks to **Barbara Pergine**, our **Activities** Chairperson, we still have a lot of activities planned for the remainder of the year.

Elections are in **November** for **President** and **Board** positions. See the article on **page 4** for more details. I highly encourage anyone who is interested to put your name on the ballot and play an important part of making key decisions on the future of the club.

My **Recording Secretary**, **Barb Grippo**, **Treasurer**, **Tim Simmons** and **Vice President**, **Joe Parente** will be resigning so I will be looking for candidates to fill these Officer positions. They all have done a fantastic job in these positions, so I want to wish them both a special **Thank you** for a job well done! Also, **Membership Chairperson**, **Pat Lankford**, and **Activities Chairperson**, **Barb Pergine**, are stepping down after being in these roles for many years. Another Special

Thank you to **Pat & Barb** for jobs well done! These are board positions if anyone is interested to be in the roles.

I was again invited to the **Corvettes** at **Carlisle Celebrity Brunch** on **Friday** the **27th**. Yes, I said **Celebrity Brunch** and not **Celebrity Luncheon** on **Saturday** as I was in past years. Since there is no show on **Sunday**, Celebrity awards were given out on **Saturday**. After the **Celebrity Brunch**, I walked around and looked at so many great cars and gave my award to **Matt & Laurie Long** and their beautiful **2019 Corvette Callaway GS in Sebring Orange**. Saturday night **200** Corvettes were in the parade. It was great seeing all these Corvettes of all different years and colors drive into town. I stay in town at the **Comfort Suites** and have a great time walking the streets and listening to the band and a making a few stops in the local bars. I want to thank **Henry Weikel** and **Brian** for setting up the club's tent.

I wish you and your families the best!

Ed

CCDV BOARD AND COMMITTEES

Club Leadership:

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Zach Hamada

Club Store Chairperson:

Denny Matlack

Cruise Night Chairpersons:

Candy & Chris Merlino

Nametag Chairperson:

Candy Merlino

National Corvette Museum Ambassador:

Jack DeLong

2022 is just around the corner...feel like getting involved?



CCDV elections will be held on Wednesday, November 17th at our General Membership Meeting. If you would like to run for a position on the CCDV or CECF Board, you must submit your intention in writing to a member of the nominating committee. Your intentions to run for any of the open positions (8 CCDV board member positions) must be received no later than Thursday, September 30th, in order to have your name included on the printed ballots. All candidates' names received by the deadline will also be published in the October GasCap.

There are also 2 positions on the CECF board open for election. If you are interested in serving on the CECF Board your name must be submitted in writing to the nominating committee by September 30 as well. The CECF positions are voted on by the CCDV board at the November Board Meeting.

The nominating committee contacts are Rose Ferrante, rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com or Candy Merlino, candymerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com. If you would like to run for the office of CCDV President, you must not only submit your name by Sept 30, but the names of the 4 officers on your slate as well (VP, Treas, Secty & Recording Secty).

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Rose Ferrante; 215-343- 5552 (home),

Thank you!

*Rose Ferrante,
Nominating Committee*

2022 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Hello Members: I wanted to give everyone advanced notice that the 2022 membership renewals will be sent out the week of January 3, via your email address. Instructions on how to renew your membership will be provided at that time. **If you have made any changes to your address please send your changes to: membershipccdvg@gmail.com prior to January 3. Deadline for renewals is March 31.** After the deadline your renewal will be at full price.

If you do not receive an invoice by the first week of January, please contact the membership email address for assistance. You should also check your Spam folder in case the notification was placed there.

Your payment can be made either through PayPal or your personal credit card. Once your payment has been received you will receive a separate email, after March 31st, but not before, with your membership card. You can print it out and sign your name(s).

We are anticipating a smoother transition this year. If you have any problems or questions, please contact the membership website @ membershipccdvg@gmail.com and someone will respond to your request as quickly as possible.

Thank you.

Pat Lankford
Membership Chairperson



September Birthdays



1	William Mitchell	19	George Seymour
2	Mary Miller		Edward Stelacio
4	John Crawford		Wayne Zaks
	Linda Clemmer	20	Jim Loughran
5	Bob Weiss	23	Frank Kitchen
	Steve Woodland	24	Patrick McGinty
8	Steven Magaruh		Ron Picciani
10	Steve Howard	27	Christopher Boyd
12	Lorna Bearn	28	George Miller
13	John Kukora	28	Russell Thomas
	Tamara Rood		Pamela Smith
16	Chris Merlino	29	Marlene Brinton
17	Brady Marlow	30	Gregory Baugher
18	Barbara Weiss		Charles Gemmi
			Chris Biscardi

Green Dragon Trip

On August 6th we braved one of the hottest days of the summer for our trip to Green Dragon. We cut that a bit short due to the heat so we could get into some air conditioning at Kitchen Kettle Village. We did have fun though, looking through all the stuff that's sold at both places. Denny brought home some 25# cantaloupes and I'm not sure what Mary Ellen bought, but her arms were loaded with her deals from the day. We had a nice lunch at the Shady Maple Smorgasbord where we all had way too many desserts. We need to go back there.



CCDV Annual Picnic



Mother Nature was at it again with hurricane Henri, when it came time for our annual picnic, so we were very fortunate to be able to use the VFW for the event. Our Towne Catering did a wonderful job for us and was able to cook the burgers and chicken in the parking lot. They set up a nice spread with all the other sides, salads and drinks.



Thanks to everyone who brought desserts as they were the highlight of the day. I can't say who had the best tasting dessert because there were several who should get the blue ribbon. Since we only had 42 people in attendance, we all got to take home leftovers! Thanks everyone for a fun afternoon with friends.



August Cruise Night

We finally got a Cruise Night on the books this month, even though it was not as well attended as usual. June and July were both wash outs, even though a few diehards, myself included, showed up to stand under an umbrella or tent out of the rain. Mother Nature has not been nice to car enthusiasts this year.



Thank you to Candy Merlino, Rose Ferrante and John Benischek who sold pretzels and drinks and kept the music going until it started to rain, again! There was no 50/50 drawing, since there were only about 60 some cars.

Our trophy winners were: Linda & Wayne Zaks for their 2019 white Corvette convertible, Bob Dietrich for his 1994 Pontiac Trans Am and Charles Zapata for his 2007 Mustang GT. Congratulations to all the winners.



Here's a few pictures from the event. There are many more pictures on our Website and Facebook Page, no login needed. Join the Facebook Page listed as "Corvette Club of Delaware Valley" with a picture of a blue Corvette.

Hope to see everyone again next month on

September 18th for Appreciation Night and free hotdogs.



CRUISE NIGHTS CONTINUE

Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

C.C.D.V's Cruise Night – Open to all Cars

Saturday, September 18th, 2021

**In the parking lot behind The Shops at
Valley Square, 1501 Main Street in
Warrington.**

(between Rt 611 & Valley Square Blvd)

5pm



dusk

Free Hot Dogs for Appreciation Night

**Free to enter – Music and Snacks –
50/50 Drawing – Trophies**

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, October 2nd – Dinner (restaurant to be determined)



SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, October 23rd - Jim Thorpe Lunch & Train Ride



Lehigh Gorge Trains are operated by the Reading & Northern Railroad from downtown Jim Thorpe into the Lehigh Gorge State Park and runs parallel to the Lehigh River. The Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway operates a 45 minute round trip run in the month of October.

Standard Coach is a passenger car with bus style seating and windows that open and shut. Seats can face each other, each seat can hold two people comfortably. Adults \$17, children (3-12) \$9

Open Air is a passenger car that has a roof over the top, a bench that runs down the middle, and the sides of the train car are completely open. People can get up and walk around or stand in this coach to look at the passing scenery. Adults \$20, children (3-12) \$10

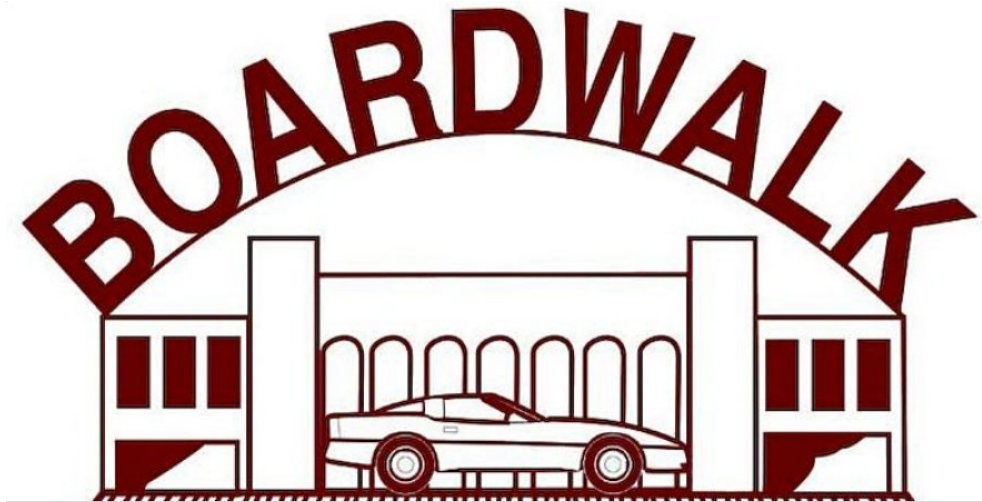
There are no advance tickets sales in October. Tickets will be purchased at the ticket booth on the day of your trip. Trains run Saturday, October 23rd hourly 10am, to 5pm. There are restrooms on the train.

As we get closer to the date, a restaurant will be chosen and a time set for everyone to enjoy the train ride together in the afternoon. Jim Thorpe Fall Foliage Festival is being held on weekends throughout the month of October with handmade arts and crafts, delicious food, free live music, children's activities and seasonal specials from local restaurants, shops and galleries.

We will leave from the Home Depot, Easton Road, Willow Grove at XXXam. The drive to Jim Thorpe is 1 ½ hours depending on your route.

We will be driving the Corvettes on Rt 476 up to the Allentown area and then change over to more scenic roads the remainder of the drive.

If you have any questions, please call Barb Pergine at 484-436-1111



Sunday, Sept 12, 2021 on the Boardwalk, Ocean City, NJ

Meet at the Farley Service Plaza of the Atlantic City Expressway at 7:30 AM. You can get breakfast here if you want. It's all fast-food items. We will then leave at 7:45 AM as a club caravan to the Ocean City, NJ Airport at 26th & Bay Avenues and wait along side the road, to drive in together. Once we are inside the airport, registration starts at 8am till 10am. All entrants must provide a valid auto insurance card upon check-in.

Note: Buy your commemorative t-shirts at the airport to ensure you get your size.

Drivers meeting at 10:30am. Departure to the Boardwalk starts at 11:00am. Once you are on the Boardwalk you cannot move your car. Trophies will be presented at 3:30pm and then all Corvettes will leave the Boardwalk and head home.

Pre-registration required at: <http://boardwalkcorvettesclub.com> Cost \$25

Dash plaques to all corvettes registered by July 31st

Or Eventbrite at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-boardwalk-corvettes-ocean-city-nj-boardwalk-show-registration-71965545885>

We have heard they are allowing 440 Corvettes on the Boardwalk this year and they have already sold 75% of their tickets. CCDV has taken the club participation award for many years. It's a fun day at the shore.

Note: If you are staying at the shore, meet the caravan at the airport and get in line to drive in together.

ALL CORVETTE CAR SHOWS

CCDV has been asked to participate in more car shows with other Corvette clubs. Below are some of the more popular ones coming up in September and October.

Fiberglass and Steel Corvette & All GM Car Show

Saturday, Sept 11th at Northampton St, Easton

Registration flyer: <http://www.allentowncorvetteclub.org/>

Tri-State - Peddler's Village Corvette Show

Sunday, Oct 3rd

Registration flyer: <https://www.ccdv.com/non-club-events/>

Garden State Corvette Club – Corvette Rendezvous at Smithville, NJ

Sunday, Oct 17th

Registration flyer: http://www.ogsccl.com/?page_id=126

We will need a member to lead the caravans to Easton and Smithville. Please contact me if you are willing to drive our members as a club to the shows.

Thank you, Barb Pergine 484-436-1111

The next page is a flyer that all club members can print & provide to non-club members.



Please consider yourselves as "Goodwill Ambassadors" that invite other Corvette Lovers to join our club.

Please Consider Joining Us!

Corvette Club of Delaware Valley (CCDV)



We participate in a wide variety of Activities:

Breakfasts, Car shows, Charitable Events, Monthly Membership Meetings, Monthly Cruise Nights, NCM Events, Parades, Picnics, Tours, Trips & more...

Established in 1958, we've donated over \$600,000 to dozens of local charities.

With over 300 members, you're bound to make some new friends who share your Corvette passion.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Website: www.ccdv.com

Email: info@ccdv.com or membershipccdv@gmail.com

Phone: 215-938-7722

Mail: CCDV Box 397, Willow Grove, PA 19090





The CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST at BEN & IRV'S DELI - 8/14/21

Ben & Irv's is located on County Line Road in Huntingdon Valley. This eatery was recommended by Kathy Benischeck.

In the 1960's Ben & Irv's was originally located on Ogontz Avenue in Philly's West Oak Lane neighborhood, which is where I lived while growing up. Eventually they moved to larger space at their current location. Our colorful Corvettes adorned the parking lot. I parked next to Stan & Maryann Fisher's beautiful 1967 Blue Convertible Corvette. (I just love to see the older Corvettes on the road, and I know everyone else feels that way too.) Linda & Wayne Zaks drove their newly purchased glowing white 2019 Corvette Convertible with a red interior, and less than 5,000 miles on the odometer. It is Linda's dream car, and I understand it won a trophy at our last Cruise Night. (With the top down and the red leather seats exposed, the car was stunning.) The service is always efficient at Ben & Irv's and the food was excellent. Everyone had a terrific time at this morning party! The laughs and smiles were constant! These monthly Roving Breakfasts are a great way for new members to try an activity and to meet the great bunch of fun members in this club.

The 20 attending CCDVers were:

Fran & Joanne Schmidt...and...Denny & Eileen Matlack

Joan & Kevin Allen.....and.....Fran & Barry Hunsicker

Chris & Jeff Biscardi.....and.....Barb Pergine

Wayne & Linda Zaks.....and.....Paul McMullin & Barbara Blenheim

Greg Baugher.....and..... Stan & Maryann Fisher

Johnny Bacon & Kathy Benischeck

On Saturday, September 11th we'll have breakfast at the Franconia Heritage Restaurant in Telford (near Harleysville) at 9:30am.

I'll see you there.

Johnny Bacon

**Join us for
BREAKFAST
SATURDAY,
SEPT. 11, 2021
At 9:30 a.m.**

**RSVP by 9/10/21 to Johnny Bacon
at 215-208-6620**

OR

**Post your response on CCDV's
website – in the FORUM**

Our next location is:

**Franconia Heritage
Restaurant
508 Harleysville Pike
Telford, PA 18969**



Rain or Shine

***A BIG THANK YOU and a “Tip O’ The Hat” to FRAN &
BARRY HUNSICKER, who recommended this Eatery!***



Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon

Looking for Volunteers

We have a scheduled date of 9/25 at 1 pm to visit the CCDV trailer.
It has not been opened for over 2 years and
we need to take inventory as the 50th Cavalcade will be next year.

Anyone willing to help see Tim Simmons, call 215-947-4118 or
email tasimmons@gmail.com



PIC'S FROM THE PAST

The Year Was

1984



The club decided to switch off trophies and go with glassware for the show awards. This is what remains of a 9 piece glass set. 4 low ball, 4 high balls and the pitcher. Over the years I guess I either dropped or broke them or the dishwasher ate them.

Tim



Frank Suntheimer (CCDV Member) won his class (1951-1965) at the Hatboro Moonlight Memories car show held on Saturday July 31st.

Attached a picture of the trophy (at his home). As you can see in the background he has quite a few.

That's Frank in the background.

Frank and that car have won many trophies!!



CCDV WALL CALENDAR

Our club plans to build a CCDV Wall Calendar each year.

- Sales of the calendar will help to pay various club expenses (insurance, hall rental, website, etc).
- The standard size calendar is 17" Long x 11" Wide (when open) Link to current calendar sample: (<https://www.ccdv.com/activities/ccdv-wall-calendar-project/>)
- We encourage all club members to submit a photo of their Corvette for inclusion in the Calendar (all cars submitted will be in the calendar).
- Submitted photos will also be placed onto our website (<https://www.ccdv.com/galleries/member-vettes/>)



Here are some Rules of Thumb for your photos:

- o Include your complete name & year of Corvette (ie: John Smith 1992 LT-1).
 - o Be aware of the background in your photo (try to exclude trash cans, poles, vehicles, fences, random people, parking lots lines, large shadows, etc).
 - o Don't point your camera towards the sun (best to have the sun at your side).
 - o Watch for excessive sun glare on your windshield or chrome.
 - o Keep windows down to prevent reflection or glare
 - o A "closed hood" looks better & requires less print space than an "open hood" photo.
 - o Verify your email address hasn't changed since joining the club. This information must stay current.
 - o If you submitted a photo last year, try to submit a different photo this year.
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- Email 1 or 2 of your favorite photos to: webmaster@ccdv.com
 - **The Photo submission deadline is September 30th.**
 - Calendars should be available for purchase by early/mid November.

If you know of a business that would like to be a Sponsor & have it's logo on the calendar, please let me know

SPECIAL EDITION

1998 CORVETTE VIN # 1G1YY22G8W5111823
NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM DONATION:
APRIL 5, 2021

"OUR LAST RIDE TOGETHER"



On November 24, 1997 a new Nassau Blue Corvette became a member of our household and never could we have anticipated how significantly this car would alter our lifestyle. This Corvette entered our lives when for the first time in our marriage we could really enjoy it, when work was not all time consuming and we had more freedom to travel and enjoy life.

The year 1999 was the first 5th year anniversary of the National Corvette Museum (NCM) and we became part of the North Eastern States Corvette Caravan to the NCM. It was also our first experience of how much fun group events could be especially being surrounded by others with similar passions. If there was one highlight from this trip, and there were many, it would be following Dave McLellan, the second Corvette Chief Engineer, out of Louisville literally leading hundreds if not thousands of Corvettes down the interstate to Bowling Green, Kentucky, the home of the NCM and Corvette Assembly Plant.

In 2003, the NCM organized a tribute to the late Dale Earnhardt who was fatally injured on the last lap of the 2001 Daytona 500 NASCAR race. I was a rabid Dale #3 fan, had attended many Daytona races and witnessed Dale's crash an event that is to this day is seared in my memory. The NCM put out a request for 100 Corvettes to attend this tribute and the response was very large; hoping against hope I prayed that my request would be one of the 100. Then a letter arrived from the NCM saying yes, my Corvette was number 23 of the 100. I had to do something special to honor Dale and working with a well-known airbrush artist an under-hood mural was created honoring Dale and the #3 Intimidator a well-known description of Dale's driving style. Time was short and the mural was completed just days before the start of the Corvette Legends Tour in North Carolina at Dale's Race Shop. The first time anyone from the public saw the mural was when I opened the hood in front of the main entrance to DEI, the Dale Earnhardt Incorporated race shop. I was honored that so many of the DEI's employees came out to view this tribute to Dale.



By this time, I had obtained a number of historical signatures on the car from the icons of Corvette history a number that would eventually grow to 24 signatures many that are irreplaceable. Among the signatures are Jim Perkins General Manager of the Chevrolet Division who secretly funded at great risk to himself the development of the C-5 and Elfi Arkus-Duntov the wife of Corvette's legendary first Chief Engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov. Also, all the original drivers of the C5-R race cars when Corvette returned to active international competition have signed this Corvette. Of the 24 signatures, 16 are already members of the Corvette Hall of Fame and recognized in the rotunda at the National Corvette Museum.



In 2004 I was asked by a local Corvette Club, the Skyline Drive Corvette Club, if I would consider assuming the position of Club Ambassador to the NCM and I immediately accepted this position. I held the Club Ambassador's position for the next twelve years. Of course, this responsibility obligated me to attending Ambassador's meetings in Bowling Green and the '98 made many more trips to the NCM. When I went through my personal scrap books of all that we had done with this car, I counted 14 trips to the NCM. It would be safe to say that this one owner C-5 and the NCM their histories are intertwined.

The '98 was our "go to" Corvette for the next 10 years including quite a few trips to Florida in the

wintertime. We visited Key Largo, Key West more than once, Sanibel and Captiva Islands to name a few destinations and the '98 was always in the lead of a Corvette caravan. The '98 toured New England, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, Tennessee, and oh so many other States and almost always at the head of a line of Corvettes. The thrill of seeing those Corvettes in the rear-view mirror made all the planning worth the effort. There is even a paver near to the entrance to the NCM at Bowling Green that says: "Leader of the Pack from the Gang".

Even after other Corvettes joined our household, the 2008 followed by the 2014, we often took the 1998 on trips the last one taking place in 2019 to upstate New York. I never tired of driving her, that old shoe that always feels so comfortable. When our 50th wedding anniversary arrived in 2019, Dor asked what Corvette are we taking for our special dinner together. No need to guess! It was our beloved '98 that held so many memories over the preceding twenty-two years of our married life together.

I approached the NCM early in 2021 to ascertain if they would be interested in obtaining this amazingly documented one-owner 1998 coupe, an original one of the 100 Dale Earnhardt Legends Tour Corvettes. The answer from the NCM's Collections Review Committee was almost immediate; "Yes, we want that 1998 Corvette". So, the die was cast, the car would go to the NCM. The car had to be professionally appraised and the appraiser stated: "this is the most documented car he had ever seen". There were twelve loose leaf binders of the photographs, the handwritten notes, all the car show entry forms and maintenance records. Everything that was just part of the documentation followed this Corvette to the NCM. Included was the original 1998 Chevrolet Corvette poster that hung on the dealer's showroom wall in 1997 - 1998 and that the salesman had saved for me.



Our last ride together those 800 miles to the NCM were bittersweet; she ran as good as day one some 23 years and four months earlier when we first became acquainted. Well maintained, yes, and she never let us down no matter what the conditions were including record snow returning from Florida and driving home from Bowling Green in the heaviest rains ever recorded when almost every road was flooded and all I could see was to follow the top lights on a big 18-wheeler. I had that much confidence in my '98 C-5. And can we ever forget the pure joy of driving down the Florida Keys to Key West with the transparent top in place looking at the beautiful blue sky and fluffy clouds with the air conditioner on and the windows down – scenes like that are never forgotten.

Goodbye old friend you will never be forgotten; you were so much a part of our life and for so many others certainly all those in the rear-view mirror for all those tens of thousands of miles of adventures and comradery.

But why is there this hollow feeling in my stomach like the loss of a cherished furry friend that has been a part of your household for a long time? I guess that comes with any parting. I know our cherished 1998 C-5 is in the correct location, the National Corvette Museum, and hopefully many others can view this special Corvette and maybe understand what Corvette and the NCM means to us.

Our license plate said it all: 10NR-98.

Jack DeLong
April 16, 2021



1998 CORVETTE COUPE
AUTOGRAPHED BY THE FOLLOWING
VIN #: 1G1YY22G8W5111823
LICENSE PLATE: 10NR-98

WENDELL STRODE - DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME MEMBER, 2020

WILL COOKSEY - CORVETTE ASSEMBLY PLANT MANAGER, PRESENTED THIS CAR WITH THE WILL COOKSEY "PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP" AWARD, JUNE, 2006 MEMBER OF THE CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2020

DAVE McLELLAN - CHIEF ENGINEER CORVETTE, AN ENGINEER'S ENGINEER, C-4, MEMBER OF THE CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 1999

DAVE HILL - CORVETTE CHIEF ENGINEER C-5 (SIGNED THIS CAR TWICE), CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2006

TOM WALLACE - 4TH CORVETTE CHIEF ENGINEER, C-6, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2018

TADGE JUECHTER - EXECUTIVE CHIEF ENGINEER FOR CORVETTE, C-7 AND C-8

DAVE TATMAN - CORVETTE ASSEMBLY PLANT MANAGER

JOHN CALIFARO - SENIOR DESIGNER EXTERIOR C-5, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2002

JIM MINNIKER - SENIOR ENGINEER DRIVETRAIN C-5, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2017

JOHN HEINRACY - THE "HEINROCKET", VEHICLE TESTING AND DEVELOPMENT 11 SCCA NATIONAL RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS, DIRECTOR OF GM PERFORMANCE DIVISION, MEMBER CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2014

JIM PERKINS - GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CHEVROLET DIVISION, "THE HEART BEAT OF AMERICA", THE MAN WHO SAVED THE CORVETTE AND FUNDED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE C-5, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 1999

DOUG FEHAN - CORVETTE RACING TEAM MANAGER, CORVETTE MUSEUM HALL OF FAME MEMBER, 2020, BROUGHT CORVETTE TO WORLD RECOGNITION IN RACING

RON FELLOWS - C5R ALMS DRIVER'S CHAMPION, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2011

JOHNNY O'CONNELL - C6R ALMS DRIVER'S CHAMPION CAR #4, KNOW AS "JOHNNY O" CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2013

ANDY PILGRIM - C5R, 2ND AND 3RD LE MANS 24 HOURS, FAMOUS FOR THE PILGRIM PASS AT ROAD ATLANTA AND CO-DRIVER WITH DALE EARNHARDT AT THE 24 HOURS OF DAYTONA 2001, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME 2012

OLIVER GAVIN - C6R, C7R AND C-8R, ALMS DRIVER'S CHAMPION CAR #4

OLIVER BERETTA - ALMS DRIVER'S CHAMPION, CAR # 3

JAN MAGNUSSEN - C6R, C7R, C8R, LE MANS 24 HOUR WINNER, CAR #4

DOUG HOOPER - NOTED EARLY WEST COAST CORVETTE RACING DRIVER INCLUDING THE INTRODUCTION OF THE C2 INTO COMPETITION, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME 2007

DAN BINKS - CORVETTE RACING CREW CHIEF EXTRAORDINAIRE

DICK GULDSTRAND - EARLY CORVETTE RACE CAR DRIVER, FIRST PROFESSIONAL DRIVER HIRED BY ROGER PENSKE, KNOWN AS "MR. CORVETTE", MEMBER OF THE CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 1999

HARLAN CHARLES - CORVETTE BRAND MANAGER, C6, C7 AND C8

GORDON KILLEBREW - NOTED C4 TECHNICAL SPECIALIST FOR 25 YEARS, WROTE THE SPECIALIST'S SEMINAR USED BY OVER 400 CHEVROLET DEALERSHIPS, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 2007

ELFI ARKUS-DUNTOV - WIFE OF ZORA, CORVETTE'S FIRST CHIEF ENGINEER, CORVETTE HALL OF FAME, 1998

DELIVERED: NOVEMBER 23, 1997
OWNER: JOHN F. DELONG

1998 CORVETTE: VIN #

1G1YY22G8W5111823

**MUSEUM QUALITY FRAMED POSTERS AND
PHOTOGRAPHS**

**THE FOLLOWING POSTERS AND
PHOTOGRAPHS ARE BEING DONATED IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE 1998
CORVETTE. ALL FRAMING IS OF MUSEUM
QUALITY AND INCLUDES UV RESISTANT
GLASS.**

1. 1988 CORVETTE DEALER'S POSTER. This poster hung in the dealer when I purchased the 1988 Corvette that was donated to the NCM in 2010. I could not part with the framed poster then; I needed something to remember our 1988 in my den. But it is now the time to donate it to the NCM.
2. 1998 CORVETTE DEALER'S POSTER: This poster hung in the dealer when I ordered the 1998 Corvette on September 15th 1997. I requested that he save it for me and true to the salesman's word he gave it to me at the end of the model year. It was also professionally framed.
3. The donated 1998 was signed by 24 Corvette significant men and women during its' 24-year history in my possession. The historic signatures have been tabulated and are listed in a framed list of *who's who* in the history of this Corvette. Many, actually most signers are in the NCM Hall of Fame.
4. 2003 DALE EARNHARDT CORVETTE AMERICAN LEGENDS TOUR. This Corvette was number 23 of the 100 Corvettes chosen by the NCM to pay tribute to the late Dale Earnhardt at his race shop, DEI, Inc in North Carolina April 24-26, 2003. A synopsis of this "once- in- a lifetime" event was professional created and framed.
5. KENTUCKY LICENSE PLATE SPECIAL ONE WEEK ISSUE "KENTUCKY 323". Kentucky issued a one-week duration license plate for each of the 100 Corvettes chosen for the Legends Tour. Number 3 was Dale's race car number and 23 was the 1998's position in the Legends Tour. Also in the framing is a professional photograph of the 1998 positioned in Dale's banquet auditorium. I loved that plate and it got a lot of attention so I kept it on the car for about two months-until a trooper got too suspicious.
6. CORVETTE CORRAL ALMS MID-OHIO ORIGINAL HANDWRITTEN WIL COOKSEY CHOICE AWARD. Wil wrote the following in his own hand writing: "This Corvette is an example of Tender Loving Care. The Hood Blanket Mural is outstanding tribute to USA and Corvette". Wil's words are framed along with a photograph of the 1998 that the NCM used in the NCM's May, 2018 calendar. The award was presented May 19-21, 2006 during the Corvette Corral activities at the race.
7. THE NCM'S WILL COOKSEY CHOICE AWARD. This plaque awarded to the 1998 and was personally autographed by Wil Cooksey.
8. THE ORIGINAL 1998 CORVETTE WINDOW STICKER. The first window sticker was folded during the dealer's preparation of the car prior to my arrival to take possession of the car. Somehow the salesman got me a perfect untouched window sticker from the factory and that is the one that was framed. The folded window sticker that was on the windshield is in Volume #1 of the records of this 1998 Corvette.

Prepared by Jack DeLong, March 26, 2021

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2021

HIGHLIGHTS FROM CCDV BOARD MEETING **August 12, 2021**

Membership Meetings will start at **7:00pm**.

The September Membership Meeting will be held in the parking lot weather permitting.
Members who are unable to attend the Membership Meetings can Live Stream using Zoom.

Use code 8324755626 with password 1953.

- **Activities – Barbara Pergine for details of trips see Web-Site**
 - Cruise Nights – 1501 Main Street in Warrington – rear parking lot at The Shops at Valley Square between 611 and Valley Square Blvd
 - August 21, 2021
 - September 18, 2021 Appreciation Night - Free Hot Dogs
 - August 22, 2021 CCDV Annual Picnic
 - August 29, 2021 Wine Tasting and Candy The Cellar by Stony Run and The Shoppes of Premise Maid
 - August 26-28, 2021 Corvettes at Carlisle 1000 Bryn Mawr Road Carlisle PA 17013
 - Sept 12, 2021 Boardwalk Corvettes Ocean City NJ
 - Sept 18, 2021 Ciocca Corvettes
 - Sept 20-24, 2021 CCDV Fall Trip Lake George
- **Membership – 238 Members, 102 Spousal Members, Total Members 340**
 - Jim Creighton (S) Barbara 2019 Watkins Glen Grey
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 - New Members – get your name tags, new car, get your new name tag
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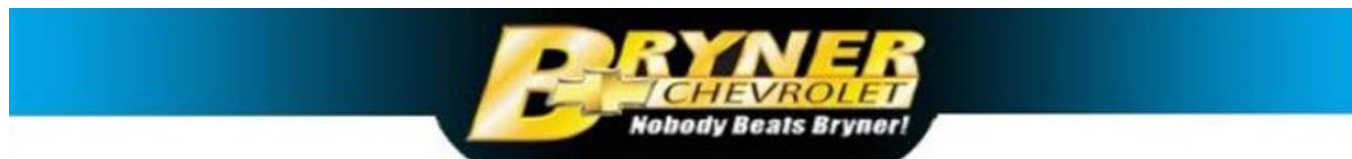
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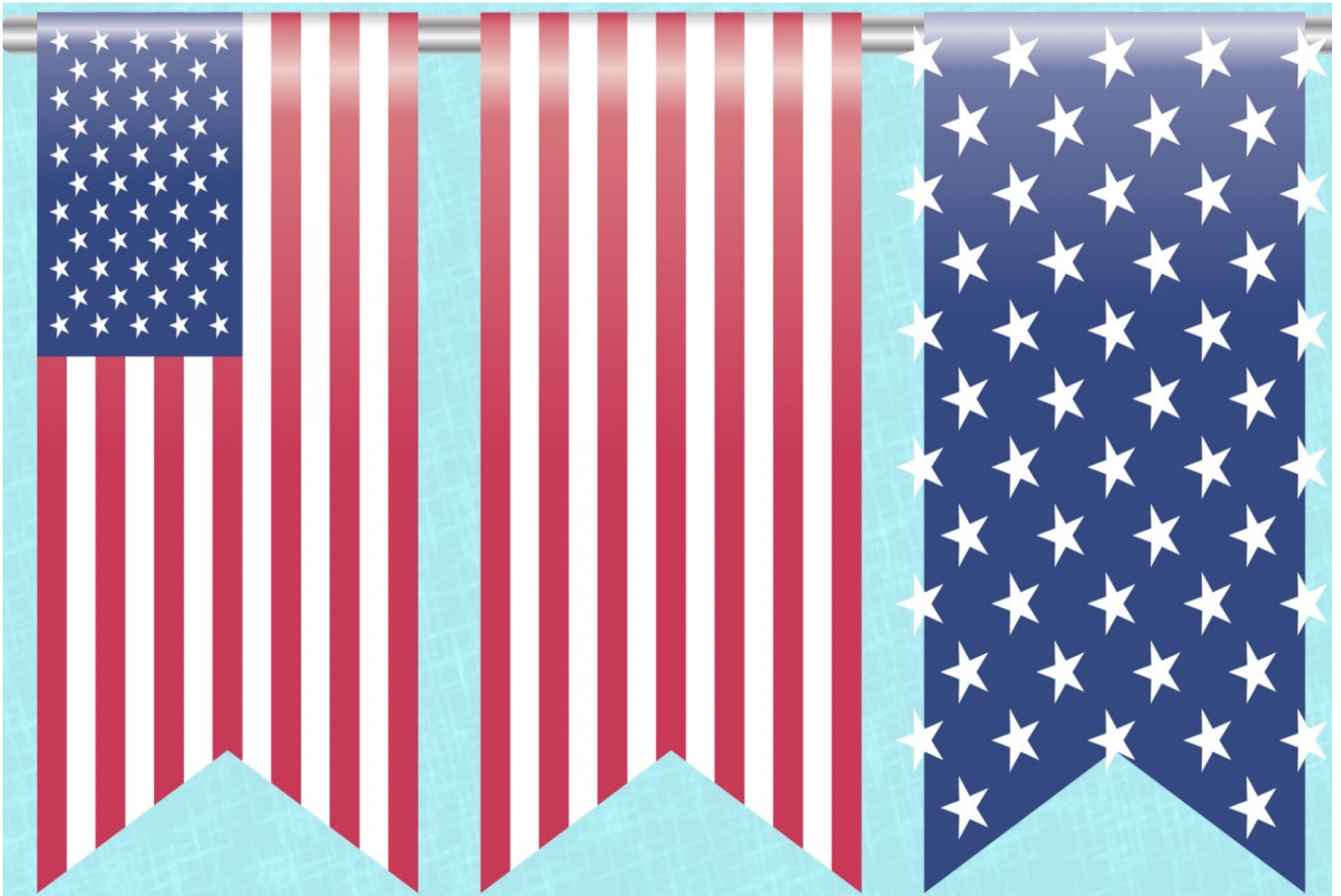
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