



The Gas Cap

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CCDV Membership:

The current membership consists of:

262 Individual members

113 Spouses

373 Total

16 new members in 2020

New Members for July:

Steve Friedland, 2005 Yellow
Adam Kuiper, 2005 Daytona Sunset
Orange
Kenneth Roton, 2009 Arctic White,
Coupe
Michael Brinton, 1979 White Coupe

Welcome to CCDV!!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AUGUST 2020

For the fifth straight month, I want to start this message by saying I hope every member and their families are staying healthy and making the best out of this ongoing virus situation.

Luckily, we did not have to cancel the July General Membership meeting, as you know, it was conducted outside in the parking lot at the VFW in Warminster. Approximately 20 cars and 35 members attended. It was nice seeing everybody again and their cars. For those who did not attend they had the capability to use ‘**ZOOM**’ and watch the meeting from their home. The weather was beautiful and the meeting went very well. We did have a couple of small problems with the video and sound, but I will work with **Tim Simmons** to have those corrected for the **August** GM meeting at the **VFW**.

In my July President’s Message, I wrote about the VFW having some financial difficulties. The club and its members wanted to assist the post and donate money towards their cause. **Joe Parente** presented to **Alex** and **John** (Post Officers) a **CECF** check for **\$750.00**. **Alex** spoke to the crowd and was very appreciative for the donation and stated that he would do everything to assist us in keeping the club as part of the **VFW**. The **50/50** totaled **\$191.00** which the **CCDV** portion of **\$96.00** was donated to the post and the winner donated his portion of **\$95.00** to the Post as well. In addition some members joined the **VFW** as social members and paying more than the **\$35.00** to join. As a reminder, social members get the same right as veteran members with use of the banquet room, kitchen and bar. A special ‘**Thank You**’ goes out to the **CECF Board** and all those

contributing to the post. These acts of kindness demonstrate the true spirit of our club's mission to support those in need.

The **August General Membership** meeting will start at **"7:00 PM" and not at "8:00 PM"** to accommodate an outside meeting. You can bring chairs, bug spray and food if you want. You have to go inside to get alcohol and due to 'Curbside' rules you can take it outside to drink. Wearing a mask is a state mandatory order both inside and outside.

I fully understand if you choose not to come to the meeting as everyone's concerns and reasons are valid, but if you do plan to attend you are doing this at your own risk. The club nor the VFW Post should be held responsible should someone get sick (which I definitely do not want to happen).

As of this writing the **Corvettes at Carlisle and The Tri-State Corvette Show** are still on schedule as planned, while the **Ocean City Boardwalk Corvette Show has been cancelled.**

Plans are still being finalized for our re-scheduled **Cavalcade of Corvettes** show on **October 24, 2020.** An e-mail will be sent out to everyone to see who will be attending and who will be registering their cars in the show. Please respond by the listed date in the e-mail to give the club the opportunity to plan for attendance.

Although we have not had any club activities since our quarantine, until June 14, when some members of the Club participated in a Drive and Dine at Kaufmann's BBQ Chicken, I am still looking for an **'Activity Chairperson.'** This position will become a Board member and has a voting right at the club's monthly Board meetings. Should anyone be interested in helping the club in this capacity, please feel free to contact me to discuss the position.

I wish you and your families the best. Stay safe and healthy.

Ed

Join us weather permitting for the August CCDV monthly General Membership Meeting at the Warminster VFW Post – OUTSIDE!
We are looking forward to seeing you!



When you are ready to join, print out our [Membership Application](#).

CCDV BOARD AND COMMITTEES

Club Leadership:

President: Ed Bonk 267-253-7460

Vice President: Steve Fisher 215-674-8452

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Pattie Lankford: membershipccdv@gmail.com

Technical Chairperson:

Greg Baugher

New Member Committee Chairperson:

Pattie Lankford: membershipccdv@gmail.com

Cavalcade Chairpersons for 2020:

John and Barb Pergine

Club Store Chairperson:

Denny Matlack

Cruise Night Chairpersons:

Candy & Chris Merlino

Nametag Chairperson:

Barb Grippo

National Corvette Museum Ambassador:

Jack DeLong

August Birthdays

2	Daniel Benninghoff	14	George Tyndall, Jr.
4	Cindy Nichols		Joanne Crawford
	Julie Wise	18	Christina Jacoby
5	Philip C Amann	19	Daniel Jaycox
7	Stan Fisher	20	Ron Axelrod
8	Mary Ellen Scannapieco	21	Jeff Hey
	Daryl Weiss		Kathleen Benischeck
9	Bob Hulmes	22	Karen Reinard
9	Matthew Stershic	23	Jerry Balchis
11	Concetta Florentino	26	Rose Ferrante
	Lynn Gaffin	27	Anthony Anzideo
	Stella Nikolopoulos	28	Louis Albert
12	Reynold Rahmer	30	Don Lemek
	Robert Schreiber		
13	Richard Lynch		

CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST CORNER

CCDV's ROVING BREAKFAST EAGLE DINER, ON JULY 19, 2020

The Eagle Diner is located on Street Road in Warminster. We were allowed to eat “inside” the restaurant, which was very fortunate, as the outside temperature approached 90 degrees. It was a nice sunny day for driving our Corvettes.

We welcomed new members Adam Kuiper & Melissa Breen, who just purchased a beautiful 200 Daytona Sunset Orange Corvette and joined CCDV. After spending way too much time inside our houses lately, it sure was nice to get out and catch-up with some of the members of this great club. Although we had to wait a bit for our food, it was delicious. As usual, there was much good conversation and laughter. Everyone had a great time!

The seventeen attending CCDV Vettesters were:

Joan & Kevin Allen	Jack DeLong
John & Kathy Benischeck	Denny & Eileen Matlack, who sported “Married 50 Years” shirts
Jeff & Chris Biscardi	Fran & Joanne Schmidt
Adam Kuiper & Melissa Breen	Debbie & Dennis Trayes
Linda & Wayne Zaks	

On Saturday, August 8th we'll breakfast at The Keelersville Club in Perkasio at 9:30 am. Details follow. I hope you can join our morning party.

Johnny Bacon

CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST CORNER

SIGN UP CONTACT: JOHNNY BACON (215-208-6620)

OR POST A RESPONSE ON THE CCDV WEBSITE

RAIN OR SHINE EVENTS

**Join us for
BREAKFAST
SATURDAY,
AUGUST 8, 2020
At 9:30 a.m.**

**RSVP by 8/7/20 to Johnny
Bacon at 215-208-6620**

**Our next location is:
KEELERSVILLE CLUB
2522 Ridge Road
Perkasie, PA 18944
215-257-9949
Rain or Shine**

***A BIG THANK YOU and a "Tip O' The Hat" to
Dan & Maureen Wurst, Who Recommended this Venue!***

We are limited to 25 people.

**Hope to see you there!
Johnny Bacon**

CALVALCADE 2020 CORNER

Cavalcade of Corvettes Update **SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2020**

On August 1, 2020 a mass email will be sent to all club members. We will be asking you to confirm attendance at the Cavalcade by voting yes or no if you are planning to register your Corvettes for the 50th Anniversary of our Cavalcade of Corvettes on October 24th 2020. We will also be asking all members to volunteer, in any small way. **Please respond to our survey by August 10, 2020** so that plans can move forward accordingly.

We understand that members who are at risk may decide not to attend but if we get the approval to move forward and enough members respond positively that they will attend, then we believe that rescheduling will be profitable for our Club.

We are optimistic about an October 24, 2020 date and are looking forward to keeping all of you up to date on any changes as we move closer to the date.

Sincerely,

Barb and John Pergine
Chairpersons for the 2020 Cavalcade of Corvettes

ACTIVITIES CORNER

A trip is planned for Becky's Drive-In Movies on August 22, 2020.
Please check the CCDV website under events to sign up!

For additional information about Becky's visit:

<https://www.beckysdi.com/>.

We are still accepting donations for our Rescheduled Charity Auction Event.

Suggestions for donations include: new, unopened, unused items (with or without tags), do your Spring Cleaning or prepare to downsize

Jewelry, household items, gardening tools, memorabilia, car care products, tools, toys, artwork, fashion, décor, hobby items, gift cards.....

We welcome support from businesses, who might be able to donate a service or gift card to advertise your business.

Vendors have been very generous to our Charity Auction every year and we appreciate everyone's help to make this year's event successful.

List of some ideas to get you thinking.

Bottles of wine/ other alcohol and/or glasses to go with

Memorabilia /apparel (signed or unsigned)

Models of cars / die cast models (either corvette or not)

Tickets to sporting or concert events

Car care supplies/ car cleaning supplies - group together in baskets

Restaurant Gift card/certificates -for either specific services or dollar amounts

Designer handbags / wallets / tote bags

Pet store gift cards / toys & treats for pets

Designer Jewelry / jewelry boxes / jewelry cleaning products

Tools or tool sets

Tailgate party themed basket

BBQ themed basket

Adult coloring books and supplies basket

Large wicker/plastic baskets or trays – to group items in – always on the lookout for these

Call/text Candy Merlino at 215-779-9454 or email @ cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com if you have any questions. Let's make this year even better than last year!

Thanks in advance – Candy and Chris Merlino

CAVALCADE CHARITY AUCTION 2020

Here are some Themed Basket Ideas – but individual items are still welcome!



Accepting donations for our Charity Auction Event.
Bring your items to the Club meetings to give to Candy or Chris Merlino or call/text Candy at 215-779-9454 or at cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CCDV BOARD MEETING

DATE: JULY 9, 2020

July Membership meeting will be held in the parking lot at the VFW Post. The parking lot can hold about 80 cars. A mass email will be sent to membership with all the details

▪ **Activities**

- The Club is still looking for an Activity Chair. This is a voting position. Please contact Ed Bonk if interested
- Barb Pergine spoke about a trip to a Drive-In Movie;
 - Shankweiler Drive-In, 4540 Shankweiler Road, Orefield PA 18069. This is about an hour from Warminster PA. They are taking 50% capacity and cars will be 6' apart.
 - Becky Drive-In, 4548 Lehigh Drive, Walnutport, PA 18088. This is about 1½ hours from Warminster. They will lower price to \$7.00 per person. Must be there by 7:00 pm. Movie starts at 9:00 pm.

▪ **Cavalcade**

- The Cavalcade is being planned for October 24, 2020. The location is County Line Road and Jacksonville Road in the parking lot behind Freedom Credit Union.
 - There will be a mass email survey sent to membership on August 1st to get Members' opinions if they are interested in having the Cavalcade on October 24th and will they be bringing their car or if they are not interested. Responses must be received no later than **August 10th** but it would be appreciated ASAP

▪ **Public Relations** – No report.

▪ **Membership** – There are 259 Members, 110 Spousal Members, Total Members: 369

- Ed Masterson (I) 2016 Daytona Sunrise Orange Coupe
- Mike Whitman (I) 2006 Velocity Yellow LS1 Coupe

▪ **Gas Cap** - Julie Wise

- If you are putting an Article in the Gas Cap please have them to Julie by the 25th of the Month prior. Julie can be reached at Julia.wise@verizon.net.

▪ **CCDV Name Tags** – Barbara Grippo – bgrippo.ccdv@yahoo.com

- New Members – get your name tags, New car, get your new name tag
- Anyone interested in purchasing Name Tags please contact Barbara Grippo. They are \$20.00 each, at least three orders are needed to send to the Company.

▪ **CCDV License Plate** – Tim Simmons

- Anyone interested in purchasing a Club License Plate contact Tim Simmons;
 - Regular CCDV Plate - \$33.00; Personalized CCDV Plate - \$141.00

CORVETTE ENTHUSIASTS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION CORNER



Hello CCDV Club Members,

The CECF Board hopes that this message finds everyone in excellent health. The Board is still working on the plans for the caravan to distribute our contributions for 2020 to each of the eight organizations identified to receive \$2,000.00. Those organizations were listed in June's Gas Cap. As we mentioned, we are moving the annual donations to an earlier date so that we can make an impact now, a time when many non-profits are in desperate need of support. When definitive plans are ready, we will be sharing them with all of you.

Last month, it was brought to our attention that the Warminster VFW (where our meetings are held) is another organization in need of donations. We presented two of the officers of the VFW with a check at our July General Membership meeting for \$750 from CECF to assist them.

Once again, we would like to thank everyone. Please be safe and we hope to see all of you at our next meeting at the VFW Post.

Sincerely,

Board of CECF

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Membership invoices for 2021 are expected to be sent via your EMAIL ADDRESS later this year. Please contact Pattie Lankford at membershipccdvd@gmail.com to update any recent changes to your email address on record.

Thank you for your time and assistance!

Pattie Lankford,
Membership Chair



Did you know that the Society of Automotive Engineers bestowed the “Best Engineered Car of the 20th Century” Award to the 1999 Corvette Convertible? This professional society does not grant awards such as this regularly. It is a testament to the pioneering engineers who designed this innovative beauty. Do you own a 1999 Corvette Convertible? Feel free to share it with all of us at the next outdoor meeting of the Club!!

(Information taken from <https://moneyinc.com/20-things-didnt-know-corvette/>, feel free to learn more about the famous car which brought us all together)!

CCDV Can Be Reached on Social Media!



Click on the links below to join us:

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and on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ccdvpa>

Keep up to date on upcoming activities and events!

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1/4 Page	\$120.00	1/4 Page	\$144.00
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Full Page	\$480.00	Full Page	\$576.00

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



Thank you to our 2020 Cavalcade Sponsors:



In 1994 the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley (CCDV) created the Corvette Enthusiast Community Foundation (CECF) so that the monies the club raised through the annual Cavalcade of Corvettes and the sale of Corvette raffle tickets could be donated to various non-profit organizations within our communities. For decades the CCDV has been holding the Cavalcade of Corvettes and donating the proceeds to the Sunshine Foundation, Juvenile Diabetes and many other local organizations. As the club grew, so did the amount of money we raised. Since it was founded, the CECF has raised over \$500,000 for charitable organizations who support families who have children with special needs, people with illnesses and local food banks.



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Phone: 215-327-9556 or jwhouse@comcast.net**



After 'winning' a CCDV License Plate at our monthly meeting, Jack decided on Antique Plates this last month. If anyone is interested in this plate (anyone with an '89), contact Jack so that the necessary transfer paperwork can be completed.

ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR SUMMER!

Stay Well! Stay Safe!