

The Gas Cap



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CCDV Membership:

The current membership consists of:

270 Individual members

119 Spouses

389 Total

25 new members in 2020

New Members:

Michael Patton & Elizabeth Niskala, 2008 Crystal Red Tom Villareale, 2018 White GS

Welcome to CCDV!!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT DECEMBER 2020

or the **Ninth** straight month I want to start this message by saying I hope every member and their families are staying healthy and making the best with this current virus situation.

I hope all of our members and your families enjoyed a very nice Thanksgiving, despite Covid-19 and all of our restrictions.

We conducted the **November** General Membership inside at the **VFW** and had approximately **25** members in attendance. That was the first indoor meeting since **February**. The **ZOOM** broadcast went well for those who cannot attend in person.

As always there will 'NOT' be a **December** General Membership meeting and the Holiday Get Together that is always held in December in lieu of a meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held in **January**. All meetings next year will start at **7:00 pm** both indoor and outside in the nicer weather. This move to an earlier start time was requested by many members and the Board approved this change. As of this writing the **VFW** is permitted to be at **50%** capacity, which means that they can accommodate up to **100** members each month.

I fully understand if you choose not to come to the meeting as everyone's concerns and reasons are valid. Please know that if you do plan to attend you are doing so at your own risk as the club nor the VFW are responsible should someone get sick, which I definitely do not want to happen.

The Board is currently reviewing the existing website to determine if our site can be updated to make it more user friendly and include the popular forum within the structure. We have a webmaster (Mary) who lives in **Florida** and is now part of the project team. The

team consists of **Joe Parente**, **Tom Weigand**, **Tim Simmons** and **Mary**. As the project progresses, I will keep everyone informed.

I want to **Thank** my **Officers**, **Board Members**, **Chairpersons** and all those that volunteered their time and efforts throughout the year in keeping our club strong and successful despite the current obstacles. Great job everyone! I'm looking forward to next year as your **President** with my goal of keeping **CCDV** a premier club.

I wish everyone pleasant Holidays and hope that you will continue to stay safe and healthy in the New Year.

Ed

The December Holiday Get Together has been cancelled!



When you are ready to join, print out our Membership Application.

WEBSITE PROJECT

CCDV Wall Calendar is under Development

Our idea is to maximize the number of photos & minimize text for the website upgrade. We are seeking digital pics of our club member's Corvettes. Here are the requirements:

- -Reasonable size pic w/o people (is preferred).
- -List your name, the year of your car, & anything special about it (ie: LT-1, GS, Pace Car, etc)
- -Please email one or two pics to: tomweigand@comcast.net
- -Progress will be reported at our monthly meetings.

If you have any questions please contact Tom Weigand at the email address above. Thank you!

CCDV BOARD AND COMMITTEES

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Barb Grippo

National Corvette Museum Ambassador:

Jack DeLong

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Karen Sinn	17	Gary Romberger, Sr.
4	Shirley Blumenstock	23	Dave Peterson
5	Michael Weiss	25	John M Pergine
6	Ray Reinard, Jr.	26	Robert Robinson
7	Marlene Etkowicz	28	Kristy Conwell
13	William Washnock	29	Michael Patton
	Bonnie Milnes	31	James Polis
14	Tim Simmons		
16	Sheila Archambault		
	Sandy Ciaccio		
	Lynne Harnish		

CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST CORNER

The Energy Station November 14, 2020



Our own Dan and Maureen Wurst found this eatery in a strip mall in Harleysville. The restaurant had recently moved to this new location, and as a result, everything was brand new. It was not fancy, but it was beautifully executed. Saturday was a delightful Autumn day to give our GM Corvette Chariots a good run.

We ordered off the menu, which had a really nice variety of breakfast fare. The servers did a very good job of taking care of our dietary needs. The food was excellent, with everyone raving about the great taste and fast service. (The short stack of pancakes was comprised of two HUGE thick delicious pancakes...and the bacon was crisp and plentiful.)

As usual, we all enjoyed fun conversations and a lot of laughs! For the record, Kevin Allen's white goatee continues to grow and luxuriate. Everyone had a really fun time. Unfortunately, Dan & Maureen Wurst had to miss the breakfast, since Maureen has only been Cancer-free for 11 months, and Covid-19 is spiking. We also missed our Joanne Schmidt, who was not feeling well.

The CCDV attendees were:

Chris & Jeff Biscardi, Fran Schmidt, Joan & Kevin Allen, Paul McMullin & Barb Blenheim, Linda & Wayne Zaks, Denny & Debbie Trayes, Kerry Duke, and John & Kathy Benischeck.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the increased spreading of Covid-19 in Pennsylvania, there will be no CCDV Roving Breakfast in December.

Stay Safe and try to have a Happy Holiday.

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

Due to restrictions associated with Covid-19, there will be no Roving Breakfast in December! We hope to see you soon.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

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

Thank you for your time and assistance!

Pattie Lankford, Membership Chair

ACTIVITIES CORNER

Join us for DINNER Saturday, January 9, 2021 At 6:00 p.m.

> RSVP by 11/7/20 to Barb Pergine at 484–436-1111

We will have tables of 6 people.

Our next location is:

MAGGIANO'S 205 Mall Blvd. King of Prussia, PA 610-992-3333 Rain or Shine

FAMILY STYLE – THREE COURSE MEAL \$34.99 p.p. Plus Tax and Tip Beverages are extra – free refills Separate checks for couples – let server know in advance.

Salad and Appetizer. Entrees: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Mom's Lasagna, Chicken Piccata, Grilled Salmon w/Lemon & Herb **Desserts:** Apple Crostata or NY Style Cheesecake

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

Barb Pergine

Bear Rock Junction Carawan



Those attending were: John B. & sister Linda, Jeff & Chris, Barb P., Ed & Pat, Joe P. & Amy, Denny & Eileen, Charlie & Myrna, Michael & Daryl, Ken & Debbie and Dennis & Debbie.

On Sunday October 18th nineteen club members traveled on a beautiful fall day to New Tripoli, PA. The route was an easy one, north on route 309 all the way. Many members enjoyed a light lunch before engaging in the activities. It was great meeting new friends, Ed & Pat and Michael & Daryl and exchanging Corvette stories. We hope they will join us in many more activities. Most of us enjoyed a fun game of mini golf. Some of the men enjoyed competing against each other on the go carts, while the women cheered them on.

Some of our friends headed home on their own while others stopped at Villa Rosa for dinner in Schnecksville, PA.











NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM AND THE KENTUCKY STATE POLICE TOUR KENTUCKY ONE LAP SEPTEMBER 27 THRU OCTOBER 3, 2020

Each year the National Corvette Museum (NCM) and the Kentucky State Police run an annual tour and each time it is through a different part of the state; actually, the tour is repeated four times due to its' popularity.



Dor and I behind the State Trooper Corvette that lead our caravan.



We chose the first tour, starting on Monday, September 28th and finishing on Friday, October 2nd. What is so special about this trip? Well first of all the caravan included 21 Corvettes and the lead Trooper drove a Corvette (drugs do not pay), and we had a State Police escort all the way and in addition other local police departments and State Police units assisted the Corvettes thru areas of congestion. The local towns we visited were so welcoming and there was no problem parking as those details were all previously arranged, and in most cases areas were roped off for our use.



This year the Tour focused on the eastern part of the State an area most noted as the coal mining area of Kentucky. Also, this area is noted in history as the home of the Hatfields and McCoys and the well-known family conflict that lasted for over 30 years starting at the end of the Civil War in 1865. The Tour was a fixed base with our Ramada Hotel in Paintsville as "home away from home" so there was no need for daily packing and the lounge was open at 4 pm for good times and comradery--and we did enjoy that lounge!

(Pictured left: Jack with the Mayor of Corbin, Kentucky the home of Colonel Sanders and Kentucky Fried Chicken, and the Head of the Kentucky State Police who was presented with a check for \$28,000 for Trooper Island a camp for very needy children run by the State Police using no taxpayer money).

Every day we were on the go with the State Police Corvette in the lead driving Trooper speed and with me in second

command taking control of the caravan when the Trooper stopped traffic so our group could pass without hindrance--believe me this is cool and a wonderful way to travel.

The itinerary included attractions like the Colonel Sanders Plaza--home of Kentucky Fried Chicken in Corbin, Kentucky, and the Big Sandy Heritage Museum, Kentucky Coal Mining Museum, Bluegrass Heritage Museum, a moonshine tasting the Moonshine made from the spring water from a McCoy farm still in the family 5th generations removed. Other attractions included local restaurants like Smokin' Butts BBQ, Natural Bridge State Park, dinner at the beautiful lodge in the Jenny Wiley State Park and a visit to Kingdom Come State Park.

But best of all were the Kentucky roads, beautiful and some very challenging like the Dragon Slayer Kentucky Highway 160 that boasts 226 significant turns in 20 miles and crests at over 4,000 feet before descending into Virginia. We enjoyed the Dragon Slayer all to ourselves as the Trooper stopped traffic so we could stage and begin our driving challenge. Check it out on You Tube: "Dragon Slayer Kentucky Highway 160".

Best of all this event is a fundraiser for Trooper Island, a summer camp operated by the Kentucky State Police for very needy children. The camp receives no government funding and the NCM presented a check for somewhat over \$28,000 to the Head of the Kentucky State Police who arranged time to be with the caravan during our visit to Corbin, Kentucky.

If you are interested, plan early as these events are popular and sell out very quickly. Look at the NCM website for details.

Jack DeLong NCM Ambassador

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CCDV BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2020

The November Membership meeting will be held indoors at the VFW Post starting at 8:00 p.m.. A mass email will be sent to membership with all the details. Members who are unable to attend the Membership Meetings can Live Stream using Zoom code 8324755626 with password 1953.

Activities

- November 11, 2020 Breakfast at The Energy Station 2710 Shelly Road Harleysville, PA 19438 Rain or Shine
- January 9, 2021 Dinner at Maggiano's 205 Mall Blvd, King of Prussia, PA

Cavalcade

- The Cavalcade has been cancelled for 2020
- Elections Elections will be held at the November Membership Meeting See the Gas Cap for more information
 - You can vote at the VFW Post
 - You can request an absentee Ballot from Rose Ferrante
 - You can drive to VFW and vote in the parking lot if you are not comfortable going indoors.
- Public Relations No report.
- Membership There are 270 Members 119 Spousal's Total Members 389
 - New Members
 - Michael Canazaro (I) 2019 Shadow Gray Coupe
 - Michael Patton (S) 2008 Crystal Red

New Business

 As of January 2021, the Membership Meetings will start at 7:00 p.m. Once the weather gets nice and its warm enough, the Meetings will be held outside in the VFW parking lot.

Gas Cap - Julie Wise

- If you want to include an Article in the Gas Cap please submit them to Julie at <u>Julia.wise@verizon.net</u> by the 25th of the Month prior
- 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.
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 - Anyone interested in purchasing a Club License Plate contact Tim Simmons;
 - Regular CCDV Plate \$33.00; Personalized CCDV Plate \$141.00

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CCDV License Plate Available, contact Jack Householder 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.

2000 Silver Corvette Convertible Asking: \$18,500

Black & gray interior, 6 Speed 51,950 miles Kirban Shifter, Bypass Harness C5 Crossover Pipe Corsa Power Plus Muffler Additional Options Seller is a Member of CCDV

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Happy Holidays to you and yours!