



# The Gas Cap

The Official Publication of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

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## CCDV Membership:

The current membership consists of:

253 Individual members

110 Spouses

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363 Total

**Anyone who did not renew their application will now have to rejoin on the website using PayPal, at the membership prices:**

**\$60 for individual with spouse**

**\$50 for individual**

**No New Members in April.**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT MAY 2020

**F**or the second straight month, I want to start this message by saying that I hope every member and their families are staying healthy and making the best out of our current virus situation. It won't be long when things will be back to normal, as we are a strong nation and always come together when it is necessary.

Also, for the second straight month the **April** General Membership meeting was canceled and the **April** Board meeting was conducted by a conference call. It was decided on the call by the Board to continue to conduct every Board meeting by conference call for the remainder of the year. This will be one less cost that the club will incur, and at the same time, save travel time for many Board members who have to drive from such distant locations as **Philadelphia, Plymouth Meeting and Collegeville**. For example, my commute from **Philadelphia to the Wilson Senior Community Center** was at least **40 to 45** minutes each way.

At the beginning of April, I called the Manager of the **Lowe's** store to get their approval for our club to host our **2020 Saturday Cruise Nights** at his location and his response was, "**Not this year.**" At the board meeting we discussed other locations, but at this point in time and with the current virus situation it was voted to cancel **Saturday Cruise Nights** this year.

Since all Pennsylvania schools are closed, it was also voted to reschedule the **Cavalcade of Corvettes** show to **October**. Much of our advertising for the Cavalcade is promoted through our members attending other local car shows,

networking, and printed flyers. Since this built-in form of advertising will not be available to us to meet a June deadline, a date and location for an October event will be decided at a later time.

In addition, the annual **CECF Fundraiser, Raffle ticket sales**, has also been canceled for the same reasons as the **Cavalcade** noted above, no car shows. **(Please see Joe Parente's message to the membership on Page 9).**

I also contacted **Carlisle Productions** and asked if there is any change to the **'Corvettes at Carlisle'** event in **August**, and as of the date of this publishing, it is still scheduled as planned.

Although we have not had any club activities due to the social distancing guidelines, I am still looking for an **'Activity Chairperson.'** This position will become a member and has a voting right at the club's monthly Board meetings. Should anyone be interested, please contact me to discuss the responsibilities of the position.

The **VFW** has an annual Memorial Day Parade scheduled for **May 31<sup>st</sup>** and they are looking for club members to participate and drive their Corvettes in the parade. I feel this is something we can do in appreciation for them allowing us to use their facility each month.

**I have a call in to the VFW and have not received a return call to find out more details about the parade. An email will go out to all members with the details of the parade, should there be one.**

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

ED

The CCDV monthly General Membership Meeting scheduled for May and the Saturday Cruise Nights scheduled for the remainder of 2020 have been cancelled. Please visit the CCDV website for future updates.



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*

*Treasurer: Tim Simmons 215-947-4118*

*Recording Secty.: Barb Grippo 215-510-2038*

*Corporate Secretary: Dennis Trayes*

## **Board Membership:**

*Chairperson Joel Fellman*

*Bob Bearn*

*Jacques Etkowicz*

*Rose Ferrante*

*Ron Gaffin*

*Ang Grippo*

*T. Wayne Lankford*

*Barb Pergine*

*Ken Woods*

## **Gas Cap Editor & Website:**

*Julie Wise*

## **Public Relations:**

*Dennis Levitt & Rose Ferrante*

## **Committees:**

### **Activity Chairperson:**

*Looking for a Volunteer(s)*

### **Membership Chairperson:**

*Pattie Lankford: [membershipccdv@gmail.com](mailto:membershipccdv@gmail.com)*

### **Technical Chairperson:**

*Greg Baugher*

### **New Member Committee Chairperson:**

*Pattie Lankford: [membershipccdv@gmail.com](mailto: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*

## May Birthdays

1	Dan Salvatore	15	Robert P. Dalton
2	Robert Kostaras	19	Rosemarie Indelicato
3	Stephen Fisher	20	Anita Stewart
4	Charles Carr	21	Glenn Hanna
5	Kenneth Snyder	22	Ronald Grippo
	Elaine Christian	24	Ron Gaffin
	Elizabeth Hohwieler	29	Woody Tompkins
6	Cathy Bray		Fran Hunsicker
7	Bill Nichols		Louise Woods
9	Rich Rogers	30	Denise Elwell
14	Richard Coppolino	31	Ken Woods
	Robert Dean		

## *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 the Coronavirus Pandemic,  
the Monthly Breakfasts are not being scheduled  
until further notice.**

**We hope to resume our get-togethers  
in the near future!**

**Johnny Bacon**

## CALVALCADE CHARITY AUCTION 2020

We are still accepting donations for our 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](mailto: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](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CCDV BOARD MEETING

## DATE: APRIL 9, 2020

- **Activities**
  - Due to the Coronavirus all Activities have been put on hold
- Due to the Stay at Home Order a Motion was made and voted upon unanimously to cancel all Cruise Nights for the rest of the year
- Due to the Stay at Home Order it was decided to cancel the April Membership Meeting.
- **Cavalcade**
  - Due to the Stay at Home Order and Social Distancing Order the Cavalcade for June 6<sup>th</sup> has been canceled. The Committee is looking into other options
- **Public Relations**
  - The Teen Safety Event has been canceled due to the Coronavirus
- **Membership** – There are 253 Members 111 Spousal's Total Members 364
  - Joe Haggerty (I) multiple corvettes
  - Kyle Dougherty (I) 2020 Torch Red Z51
  - Joseph DiPaolo (I) 1970 White
  - Wayne Paskel (I) 1960 Red/White Convertible, 1963 Roadster, 1969 Coupe, 2017 Z06 Convertible

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- **Gas Cap** - Julie Wise
  - There will be five printed copies of the Gas Cap at the Membership Meeting if you need one. If you are putting an Article in the Gas Cap please have them to Julie by the 25<sup>th</sup> 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
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- **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



## CECF CORNER



**Hello CCDV Club Members,**

I hope that all of our members and their families are staying safe during this most trying and difficult time. We have been holding off on a decision on how to proceed with our Raffle ticket sales for 2020 and weighing all of the facts and circumstances. Because of these unforeseen conditions relating to the Covid-19 Pandemic, such as social distancing guidelines which may inhibit ticket sales, cancelations of other car shows, where many tickets are sold, and the fact that many people are or will be facing financial hardships, the Board of CECF has decided to cancel the Raffle for 2020. It was truly a difficult decision.

Because of the burden this Pandemic has inflicted on so many of our friends and neighbors who are either out of work or who own small businesses, the Board feels that we should continue with our annual contributions to local organizations. We are considering moving the timeline up from a January distribution, to sometime in the near future. We will keep you up-to-date once a decision has been made on which organizations to assist and a date for the distribution.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Please stay safe. Wishing you all the best.

Sincerely,

*The Board of CECF*

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