



The Gas Cap

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CCDV Membership:

The current membership consists of:

265 Individual members

116 Spouses

381 Total

19 new members in 2020

New Members:

Arthur & Donna Trenham, 2007 Victory Red Coupe

John & Ulla Kukora, 1989 Black Coupe

Welcome to CCDV!!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT SEPTEMBER 2020

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

For the second month in a row we did not cancel our General Membership meeting as the August meeting was also conducted outside at the **VFW** in Warminster. We had **25** cars and approximately **40** members in attendance, which included **3** new members. The weather was perfect and it was pretty cool seeing everyone sitting on their chairs and the picnic tables. The **ZOOM** broadcast went well this time for those watching from home. We will continue to have the meetings outside weather permitting.

An e-mail was sent out this month requesting a response from all members with a survey regarding participation in the rescheduled Cavalcade of Corvettes for October 24, 2020. The response to the e-mail was very disappointing. The club has **379** members (which includes spouses) and only **68** members responded, with **49** saying they would participate and register their cars for our show. I'm not sure if everyone received the e-mail or even opened it, but if you did receive the message, it would have been appreciated if you responded with a simple **'Yes'** or **'No'**. **Barb** and **John Pergine** spent many hours coordinating Vendors and sponsors (for the original date in June and the rescheduled date in October) equating to **\$4000,00** collected to help defray our expenses associated with this show. They deserve better support, as well as the Board and the club itself. The Board voted to cancel this year's show which was the first time in its **62**-year history. If you did not get the e-mail let

me know by texting me, my number is listed in the Board and Committee contact page listed in the Gas Cap.

The **September** 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 attend the meeting as everyone’s concerns and reasons are valid. If you do plan to attend, you are doing this at your own risk, as the club nor the VFW Post will be responsible should someone get sick, (which I definitely do not want to happen).

I did not attend the **Corvettes at Carlisle** show due the thunderstorm on Saturday, which is the day I typically make the trip to **Carlisle**. They also canceled the Celebrity luncheon, the parade into town, the band downtown on Saturday night and a lot of other changes. This is the first time in **22** years I have not attended the show. The **Tri-State Corvette** show has been canceled.

Elections will be held in **November** for **President** and **Board** positions. See the article on page 7 for more details. I highly encourage everyone to make an effort to participate in the activities of the club. It is important for all of us to play an active role, one of those ways is to run for one of the Board seats, by putting forth your name on the ballot.

Although we have had a limited number of club activities, I am still looking for an ‘**Activity Chairperson.**’ This position has a voting right at the Board meetings. Should anyone be interested, please 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 September 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

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Barb Pergine

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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

September Birthdays

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

CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST CORNER

The Keelersville Club on August 8, 2020



Our own Dan and Maureen Wurst recommended this venue, which is located on Ridge Road in Perkasio, Montgomery County. It was a beautiful Summer day that brought 18 hungry Vettesters out to drive their beautiful Corvettes to our morning party.

The Keelersville Club is a nice private Social Club which is only \$15.00 to join. The food was hot and delicious! (And did I mention that the bacon was both plentiful and superb.) This is a morning party with lots of laughs. Plus, it's an easy and great way for new CCDV members – like Adam Kuiper and Melissa Breen - to join an activity. Everyone had a great time! The attending CCDV Vettesters were:

Joan & Kevin Allen	Chris & Jeff Biscardi	Fran & Joanne Schmidt
Johnny Bacon	Kerry Duke	Debbie & Dennis Traves
Greg & Janice Baugher	Adam Kuiper & Melissa Breen	Dan & Maureen Wurst
Wayne & Linda Zaks		

On Saturday, September 19th we'll breakfast at Lancers Diner on Easton Road at 9:30am. I hope to see you there.

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,
SEPTEMBER 19, 2020
At 9:30 a.m.**

**RSVP by 9/18/20 to Johnny Bacon
at 215-208-6620**

Our next location is:

**LANCERS DINER
858 Easton Road
Horsham, PA 19044
215-674-5088
Rain or Shine**

***A BIG THANK YOU and a “Tip O’ The Hat” to Dennis & Eileen
Matlack, Who Recommended this Venue!***

We are limited to 25 people.

Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CORNER

[2021 is just around the corner...feel like getting involved?](#)

CCDV elections will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 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 Sunday, September 30th, in order to have your name included on the printed ballots. If you would like to run for the office of CCDV President, you must not only submit your name, but the names of the 4 officers on your slate (Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, & Recording Secretary.) All candidates' names received by the deadline will also be published in the October Gas Cap.

There are also 3 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, 2020 as well. The CECF positions will be voted on by the CCDV Board at the November Board Meeting.

The contact for the Nominating Committee is Rose Ferrante, she can be reached at rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com or at home at 215-343-5552. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rose.

Thank you!

*Rose Ferrante,
CCDV Nominating Committee*

ACTIVITIES CORNER

Dennis & Debbie Trayes (215-822-2352)

will be hosting a

Scavenger Hunt

Since Boardwalk Corvettes has been canceled.

Join us on Sunday, September 13, 2020.

It will be so much fun with friends while continuing our social distancing.
We will try to find an outdoor eatery to accommodate our hungry Vettsters.

The meeting place will be at:

Hilltown Walmart

Rt 309 in Hilltown, PA

In Burlington lot near McDonald's

1:00 pm (Please be prompt)!

COST: \$5.00 per car – cash prizes

Questions, contact the Trayes at

[Click Here to go to the sign-up page on the CCDV website.](#)

Becky's Drive-In August 22, 2020

August 22nd was a beautiful day to take the Vettes out for a drive and enjoy a Saturday evening with our friends.



There were hundreds of cars at Becky's Drive-In Saturday evening for the showings of The Rocky Horror Picture Show and Shrek I & II. It was a full house under the beautiful star-studded sky as we enjoyed each other's company and got to know our new club members Ken & Cathy. Sweet Translucent Dreams sold prop bags for anyone who wanted to act out scenes from the movie.

In attendance were:
Tony Buonassisi & Rose Ferrante
John & Barb Pergine
Ken & Cathy Roton
Dennis & Debbie Trayes

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

MEMBER NEWS

Our 1970 Corvette – Gifted to the National Corvette Museum



On Sunday, August 9, 2020 our 1970 Doneybrook Green Corvette Coupe was transported down to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY.

I was the original owner of the '70, a salesman's car that I bought at Reedman's. I lived next door to Judy Lachman, whom Chip married in '66. In the summer of '68, I saw Chip washing his new Monaco Orange Stingray in the driveway. When he was finished, he took me for my first ride in a Corvette. I was hooked, but couldn't afford one until several years later.

When I found the car at Reedman's, I put five dollars down to hold it for three days. I called Chip the next day and asked if he would come and inspect the car and give his opinion. He test-drove it and gave his blessing to make the deal.

In 2010, I decided the Corvette needed an over-haul. We hired a very close friend, Mark Snyder of Performance Care Factory, who along with Pattie and me restored the car to showroom condition. Pattie always said she would never allow "car parts" in the house. Well, in the

summer of 2010 it was stifling in our garage, so the vacuum hoses, wires and engine chrome came into our kitchen for her to clean and polish. It took us 11 months to restore the car working on weekends in Mark's cold and hot garage. In the end, it was something Pattie and I will always remember and treasure.

We both have enjoyed owning, driving, and showing the 1970. Over the past ten years, the car has won 15 trophies, some from small shows and others from large shows like the 'Corvettes on the Boardwalk' in Ocean City, NJ, and our club's show, 'Cavalcade of Corvettes'.



Now it is time for others to enjoy the car and that is why she was gifted to the National Corvette Museum to be included in the Museum Collection. We will miss it, as only Corvette people understand. If you ever make the trip to visit the Corvette Museum, be sure to look for our Donnybrook Green 1970 Corvette Coupe!

T. Wayne & Pattie Lankford

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CCDV BOARD MEETING

DATE: AUGUST 13, 2020

August 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. Bob Bearn will send out a mass email for Zoom

▪ **Activities**

- The Club is still looking for an Activity Chair. This is a voting position. Please contact Ed Bonk if interested
- August 22, 2020 Becky Drive-In, 4548 Lehigh Drive, Walnutport, PA 18088. \$7.00 per person. Must be there by 7:00pm. Movie starts at 9:00pm
- September 13, 2020 Scavenger Hunt

▪ **Cavalcade**

- The Cavalcade has been cancelled for this year. There was not enough interest. Pre-registrations will be carried over till next year unless you specifically ask for a refund

▪ **Public Relations**

▪ **Membership** – There are 264 Members 115 Spousal's Total Members 379

- Kenneth Roton (S) Katherine 2009 Artic White Coupe
- Michael Brinton (S) Marlene 1979 White
- Arthur Trenham (S) Donna 2007 Victory Red 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

▪ **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

HISTORY CORNER

What was happening almost 40 years ago in 1982.

- 1/82 C.C.D.V. membership fee increases from \$25. to \$30. & renewals from \$15. to \$20.
- 1/82 Debbie Traves joins C.C.D.V. and with her husband, Dennis, they become the first married couple to both be members.
- 2/82 Members go on bus trip to Tropicana Casino and Atlantic City Car Show, arranged by Marie McKeane & Pat Zoller.
- 3/82 Approx. 12 students from Minger & Lee's Tae Kwon Do School, including the School's Director and 4th Degree Black Belt Ray Minger, plus 2nd Degree Black Belt Joel Fellman, perform mini demonstration at General Membership Meeting. Club President, Bruce Jones, breaks one board.
- 3/82 Club members take part in a Friday evening "Swap N' Sell" car parts flea market at the Legion Post.
- 3/82 C.C.D.V. holds a Beef & Beer at the Legion Post, complete with DJ and all you can eat for \$15. per couple.
- 4/82 Mike & Pam McCormick become the new Gas Cap editors.
- 5/82 C.C.D.V. members attend a Roller Skating party at Young's Regency Rink in Blue Bell, PA. arranged by Pat Zoller.
- 5/82 \$25,425. = 12th Cavalcade gross receipts. Held for the first time at the Johnsville Naval Air Station in Warminster, PA (Net receipts prior to donation = \$10,620.) Attendees are treated to a Tae Kwon Do demonstration performed by Minger and Lee's Karate School students. Bryner's Chuck Peterson displays a Limited-Edition Camaro at the show.
- 5/82 C.C.D.V. membership shows 97 paid members
- 6/82 \$3,000. donation to Navy Relief Fund, plus \$4,000. donation to American Diabetes Association
- 6/82 Spring Rally. The run, arranged by Dennis Traves, started at the Wm. Bolton Lodge, continued through Bucks County, past the old Vargo Dragstrip and ended at Alfalfa's Restaurant in Lansdale, PA.
- 7/82 Show Workers' Party held at the Holiday Inn, Ft. Washington. The party has a 50's theme & attendees are asked to wear 50's attire. Hy Lit is the DJ with the Purple Haze Band.

- 8/82 Ten C.C.D.V. members' Corvettes win trophies at the Macungie Auto Show.
- 8/82 Chip & Bill Miller hold the first Corvettes at Carlisle show.
- 8/82 2 Lower Gwynedd police officers are honored with Certificates of Appreciation at the Club's General Membership Meeting for their assistance in recovering C.C.D.V. member, Patty Zoller's stolen Corvette.
- 10/82 EPCOT opens in Orlando, Fla. (Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow)
- 11/82 C.C.D.V. members caravan to the Bucks County Winery for a tour and wine tasting party, arranged by Pat Zoller.
- 11/82 Hay ride at Winding Brook Farm in Center Square, PA arranged by Louann Lemek.
- 11/82 C.C.D.V. members caravan from the Montgomeryville Mall to Brunch at Chez Odette in New Hope, PA
- 12/82 Special committee revises/updates C.C.D.V. By-Laws;
The Gas Cap takes on some updated format changes.

CCDV Can Be Reached on Social Media!



Click on the links below to join us:

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Keep up to date on upcoming activities and events!

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ENJOY YOUR LABOR DAY!

Stay Well! Stay Safe!