

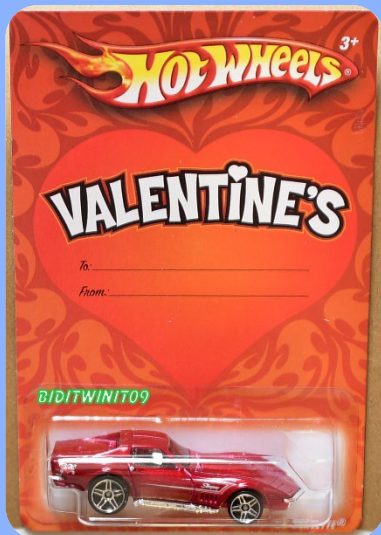
WELCOME!

New Members in January:

Robert & Jahn Landis
Anthony & Linda Corrado
Anthony & Cheryl Perno
Ray & Tracey Marijczuk

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT FEBRUARY 2022



I hope everybody is staying healthy and ready to start participating in the club events throughout the year.

My first **January** Board meeting this year went well and I was very pleased how good the interaction went with the existing and new members on the Board. Depending on how these viruses are contained we will have an exciting time with all our activities and events that are being planned. And as always we are looking for our members to volunteer their time in assisting with our activities and events.

In working with **Tom Weigand**, my **Vice President**, the roles and responsibilities of the Board members have changed to better accommodate the club in 2022. Some responsibilities remained the same and some have been added to become more efficient. (See Page 3) I am still looking for an Activities Chairperson to oversee all events and a Technical Chairperson to be a communication link in getting answers or give direction for technical questions.

The **February** General Membership will be at the **Warminster VFW** on the **16th** starting at **7:00 pm**. Our guest speaker will be **Joe Vigorita** from **ECAM** racing engines. Joe built a **350** engine bored out to **355 cubic inches**, **¾ cam** and Hooker headers in my **1980 Corvette**. Joe was a guest speaker at the **VFW** in **Willow Grove** when we use to have our meetings there.

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 Tomweigand@comcast.net. If you have any pictures to submit from past activities send them to **Tom**.

I wish you and your families the best!

Ed

CCDV BOARD AND COMMITTEES

Club Leadership:

President: Ed Bonk 267-253-7460

Vice President: Tom Weigand

Treasurer: Tim Simmons 215-947-4118

Recording Secty.: Candy Merlino

Corporate Secretary: Dennis Trayes

Board Membership:

*Chairperson Joel Fellman
Johnny "Bacon" Benischeck
Jacques Etkowicz
Rose Ferrante
Ang Grippo
Zach Hamada
Penelope Hunt
Laurie Long
Barb Pergine*

Gas Cap Editor: Laurie Long
lasgal@gmail.com

Public Relations:
Dennis Levitt & Rose Ferrante

Website: Tom Weigand
webmaster@ccdv.com

Committees:

Activity Chairperson:

To Be Filled

Cavalcade Chairpersons for 2022:

*Zach Hamada, Tim Simmons
& Tom Weigand*

Club Store Chairperson:

Denny Matlack

Cruise Night Chairpersons:

Candy & Chris Merlino

Nametag Chairperson:

Candy Merlino

National Corvette Museum Ambassador:

Jack DeLong

CCDV ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES



Executive Board

Name	Title	Role/Responsibilities
Ed Bonk	President	Presidential Responsibilities
Tom Weigand	Vice President	VP, Website, Calendars, Cavalcade
Tim Simmons	Treasurer	Treasurer, Membership, Cavalcade, License Plates
Candy Merlino	Recording Secretary	Cavalcade, Cruise Nights, Name Tags
Dennis Trayes	Corporate Secretary	Corp Secretary, Archive Docs

Board Members at Large

Name		Role/Responsibilities
Joel Fellman	Chairperson	CECF Liaison, Cavalcade, Club Historian
John Benischeck		Activities (Roving Breakfasts), Cruise Nights, Cavalcade
Jacques Etkowicz		Bylaws, CCDV Ops Manual Project Manager
Rose Ferrante		Public Relations, Cavalcade, Cruise Nights
Angelo Grippo		Activities
Zach Hamada		Cavalcade
Penelope Hunt		Cavalcade, Cruise Nights
Laurie Long		Gas Cap Newsletter Editor
Barb Pergine		Activities (Monthly Dinners), Cruise Nights, Cavalcade

2022 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Attention all members: 2022 membership renewals will be sent out by the end of January 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, phone numbers, email addresses, etc. Please send your changes to: membership@ccdvd.com.** The 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 February, please contact me at the membership email address. You should also check your Spam folder in case the notification was placed there.

Your payment can be made either through your credit card on the website, bring a check to the monthly meeting, or mail it to the Treasurer.

CCDV
C/O Tim Simmons
3549 Brae Bourn Dr.
Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006-3049

Once your payment has been received and processed you will receive an email, with your membership card. **P r i n t** it out and cut it to fit your wallet. You will need to present this at Bryner's to receive the club discount.

We are anticipating a smoother transition this year. If you have any problems or questions, please contact me at the membership website: membership@ccdvd.com, and I will respond to your email as quickly as possible.

Thanks



Treasurer, CCDV





- 1 Linda Zaks
- 2 Sue Magaruh
- 4 Laura Salvatore
- 5 Vicki Sellers
- Susan Palman
- Maria Gemmi
- 7 Sandy Josephs
- Paul Williams
- 8 Marg Klick
- Karen Snyder
- 9 Dr. Robert Procaccini
- Steve Sesny
- 10 Nancy Simmons
- 14 Jeffrey Skalicky

- 16 Wayne Paskel
- Joe Van Osten
- 17 Richard Tynes
- 18 James Pitra
- 19 Chris Polchan
- Lydia Hamada
- 20 Ann Grippo
- 21 Robert Neisser
- 22 Barbara McMullin
- 23 Richy Josephs
- 24 Myrna Milstein
- 25 Bob Lima
- 27 Pat Stelacio
- 28 Jeannette Dash

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

2022 CALVACADE NEWS



Your Cavalcade committee met on Wednesday evening the 26th and after much discussion weighing the pros and cons of the available sites, decided to hold the show at Middle Bucks Institute of Technology. This is a familiar site to most and will be a great location for the show.



We will be looking for volunteers the day of the show to help wherever you can. We will have signup sheets at the next general meeting as well as sponsor, vendor, and car registration forms. We will work to also get all this info up on the website with links to download and print these forms from there.



Please help us promote the show by talking to anyone you know that may be interested in becoming a show sponsor, trophy sponsor, vendor or car show participant.

If you have any questions about the show, feel free to contact any of the co-chairs Tim Simmons tasimmons@gmail.com, Tom Weigand tomweigand@comcast.net or myself zhamada@comcast.net.

Thanks and more to follow soon.
Zach Hamada

2022 Cavalcade of Corvettes Participant Registration Form (Our 50th Cavalcade!)



PROUDLY PRESENTED BY
CORVETTE CLUB of DELAWARE VALLEY
Commemorative 50th dash plaque to be awarded to the first 125 cars competing!

Middle Bucks Institute of Technology 2240 Old York Rd, Jamison, PA 18929 (www.mbit.org for directions)

Charity Auction, Raffles, Door Prizes, 50/50 Drawing, Music, Food, Vendors, Independent Judges, Over 50 Trophies

Saturday, June 25, 2022 Vehicle registration & setup (8am to 10am) - Show time is **(10am-3pm)** Rain or Shine

Your Name: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Your Email Address: _____

Year: _____ Body Style (Coupe/Convertible): _____ Equip (LT-1, Z06, etc.): _____

Exterior Color: _____ Club Affiliation (if any): _____

CCDV Member? (Yes/No): _____ (Note: CCDV Members are judged separately from non-members)

Trophy Class (circle one):

C1 (1953-1962) Stock = **S1**

C2 (1963-1967) Stock = **S2**

C3 (1968-1982) Stock = **S3**

C4 (1984-1996) Stock = **S4**

C5 (1997-2004) Stock = **S5**

C6 (2005-2013) Stock = **S6**

C7 (2014-2019) Stock = **S7**

C8 (2020-pres.) Stock = **S8**

1953-1966 Custom-Race-Modified = **CRM1**

1967-2004 Custom-Race-Modified = **CRM2**

2005-2013 Custom-Race-Modified = **CRM3**

2014-2022 Custom-Race-Modified = **CRM4**

Check www.ccdv.com for up-to-date show details

(Registration Fee: \$25 Pre-Registration / \$30 Day of Show)

Mail this form & check (postmarked by June 11, 2022) payable to:

CCDV-Cavalcade

c/o Tim Simmons (Treasurer)

3549 Brae Bourn Dr

Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006-3049

The undersigned participant assumes all risks & responsibilities of possible damage or injury involved through my participation in this activity. I understand that I am to furnish my own insurance in case of injuries suffered by me or to the property in consideration for my participation in this event. I also agree to abide by any rules & regulations set forth for this event. Alcohol is strictly forbidden on the grounds during the event. By signature below, I agree to these items.

Your Signature: _____ Date: _____



Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

50th annual Cavalcade of Corvettes 2022



Show Date (Rain or Shine): Saturday, June 25, 2022
Middle Bucks Institute of Technology 2740 Old York Road, Jamison, PA 18929
(www.mbit.org for Directions)

1. Show Sponsorship – (Circle Sponsorship desired)

Gold Show Sponsor (\$500)

- Name & Logo on ¼ page Club Website, Monthly Newsletter, Show Poster & Tee Shirts
- Free Vendor space at the 2022 Cavalcade, Our 50th- year show
- Sponsor of a Major Trophy (see below)
- Promotional items in Participant's envelope

Silver Show Sponsor (\$250)

- Name & Logo on ½ page Club Website, Monthly Newsletter, Show Poster & Tee Shirts
- Free Vendor space at the 2022 Cavalcade, Our 50th- year show
- Sponsor of Corvette Class Trophy (see below)
- Promotional items in Participant's envelope

Bronze Show Sponsor (\$100)

- Name & Logo on Show Poster & Tee Shirts
- Promotional items in Participant's envelope

2. Trophy Sponsorship- (Circle desired category)

Corvette Class Trophies:

C-1 Trophy Class	\$100
C-2 Trophy Class	\$100
C-3 Trophy Class	\$100
C-4 Trophy Class	\$100
C-5 Trophy Class	\$100
C-6 Trophy Class	\$100
C-7 Trophy Class	\$100
C-8 Trophy Class	\$100
Race/Modified/Custom	\$100

Major Trophies:

Sunshine Foundation	CECF	\$150
Presidents Choice		\$150
Best Paint		\$150
Best of Show		\$150
Best Engine		\$150
Best Interior		\$150
Show Chairman's Choice		\$150
Military Veteran's Choice		\$150

ALL SPONSORSHIPS W/MARKETING MATERIAL MUST BE RECEIVED BY May 25, 2022

Company Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Cell: _____

Sponsorship: _____ E-mail: _____

Product/Service: _____

Contact: Zach Hamada zhamadacdv@gmail.com
Mail to CCDV c/o Tim Simmons,
3549 Brae Bourn Dr Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006-3049

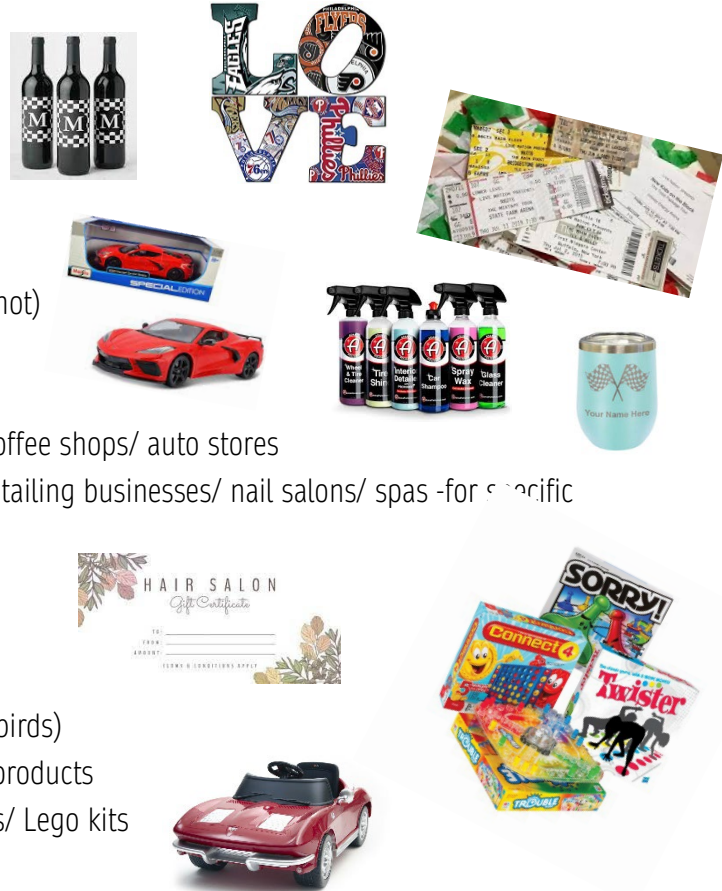
ITEM IDEAS FOR CHINESE AUCTION

IDEAS FOR ITEMS FOR CAVALCADE CHINESE AUCTION

If everyone collects/donates at least 1 item for the auction just think of how great it will be.

Items like:

- Bottles of wine (or other alcohol) / Wine glasses
- Eagles memorabilia / apparel (signed or unsigned)
- Phillies memorabilia / apparel (signed or unsigned)
- Flyers memorabilia / apparel (signed or unsigned)
- Models of cars / die cast models (either corvette or not)
- Tickets to sporting, theater, concert events
- Car care supplies/ car cleaning supplies
- Gift certificates from restaurants/ movie theaters/ coffee shops/ auto stores
- Gift certificates to hair salons/ auto repair places/detailing businesses/ nail salons/ spas -for specific services or \$ amounts
- Items from auto stores/craft stores/ beauty stores
- Designer handbags / wallets / tote bags
- Bath & body supplies / gift cards
- Pet store gift cards / toys for pets (cats, dogs, fish, birds)
- Designer Jewelry / jewelry boxes / jewelry cleaning products
- Children's items – board games/arts & craft supplies/ Lego kits



Just some ideas to get you thinking – be creative! Feel free to make up your own basket.



Don't worry about duplication

Bring your new/like new collected items to the meetings and give to Candy Merlino or call/text me at 215-779-9454, you can also reach me by email at cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

2022 CALVACADE BASKET IDEAS

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



We are now accepting donations for our Charity Auction Event on June 25th.
Bring your items to the Club meetings to give to Candy or Chris Merlino or call/text Candy at 215-779-9454 or by email at cmmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com if you have any questions.
Let's make this year even better than last year!



GRAEME PARK PIZZA DINNER

We had the usual suspects at our monthly dinner at
Graeme Park Pizza
with 20 members in attendance.

This restaurant was a new place for some, and the food did not disappoint.
From Stromboli, pasta, panini, chicken and pizza,
what more could you ask for from a great eatery.

We hung out for about two hours and
of course we're the loudest in the dining room.
This monthly dinner is a great way for new members
to get to know their fellow members in sharing stories and talking cars.

Come join us next month at Giuseppe's Pizza Restaurant.



SAVE THE DATES

**Join us for
DINNER
SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 26, 2022
At 5:00 p.m.**

**RSVP by 2/25/22 to John
Benischeck at 215-208-6620
OR
Post your response on CCDV's
website – in the FORUM**

Our next location is:

**Giuseppe's Restaurant
1380 Street Road
Warminster, PA 18974**

Rain or Shine



Hope to see you there!

John Benischeck

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 Fun-Filled Activities:

Breakfasts, Car shows, Charitable Events, Monthly Membership Meetings, Monthly Cruise Nights, NCM Events, Parades, Picnics, Dinners, 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 have a great time while making new friends who share your Corvette passion.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Website: www.ccdv.com

Email: info@ccdv.com

Phone: 215-938-7722

Mail: CCDV Box 397, Willow Grove, PA 19090

The CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST at THE EAGLE DINER, 1/8/22



The Eagle Diner is located in Warminster, PA.
This eatery was recommended by John & Barb Pergine.

We had a very good turnout with 29 hungry CCDV Vettesters showing Up to chow Down. The clothing award was won by Evelyn & Cliff Hamilton, who wore matching red plaid flannel shirtsby Pierre Cardin...or Not. Honorable mention goes to Rose & John Indelicato, who both wore Salem, Massachusetts hoodies, supposedly by coincidence???



And we welcomed Prodigal Sons and Daughters: Candy & Chris Merlino, and Rose Ferrante & Tony Buonassisi, and Rose & John Indelicato, all of whom we haven't had the pleasure of breakfasting with for a while.

The food was delicious. and everyone had a terrific time! 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 29 attending CCDVers were:

Fran & Joanne Schmidt...and...Barb & John Pergine
Denny & Eileen Matlack...and... Rose Ferrante & Tony Buonassisi
Joan & Kevin Allen...and...Candy & Chris Merlino
Wayne & Linda Zaks...and...Paul McMullin & Barbara Blenheim
Rose & John Indelicato ...and...Tracey & Ray Marijczuk
Cliff & Evelyn Hamilton ...and... Al DePue...and Jack & Dor DeLong
Jeff & Chris Biscardi...and... John & Kathy Benischeck



On Saturday, February 12th we'll breakfast at OTTO's Brauhaus Restaurant in Horsham at 9:30am.

I hope that you can make it.

Johnny Bacon

**Join us for
BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, FEB. 12, 2022
At 9:30 a.m.**

**RSVP by 2/11/22 to Johnny
Bacon at 215-208-6620**

Our next location is:



**OTTO'S RESTAURANT
233 Easton Road
Horsham, PA 19044
215-675-1864
Rain or Shine**

***A BIG THANK YOU and a "Tip O' The Hat" to KEVIN &
JOAN ALLEN, Who Recommended this Restaurant!***



Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon

WHY JOIN CCDV?



Benefits of joining our Corvette club:

1) **Socialization & Fun:**

You'll meet people that own all types of Corvettes.

We're fans of all things Automotive.

A great way to meet more folks is to Volunteer to help our club.

Members & prospective members should try to attend our monthly meetings.

- We review club status: Finances, Website, Activities, NCM News, Charity Status
- We welcome new members by asking them to tell us a bit about themselves & their Vette
- We occasionally have guest speakers

2) Increased **Knowledge** about Corvettes:

You can't help but learn more about your Vette by being around fellow Vette owners

3) Pursuit of a **Common Goal** while having **Fun**

We provide \$ to local charities, participate in many car shows, parades, cruise nights, monthly breakfasts, monthly dinners, & fun runs.

Our big show is the Cavalcade of Corvettes. This year will be our 50th.

4) **Discounts** at Bryner Chevrolet

Bryner's has been our club sponsor for decades & is super responsive to club members

Dave Peterson (owner of Bryner's) attends our monthly meetings & is always willing to help.

If you're unsure about becoming a member or have questions/recommendations, feel free to contact me.

Also, check out our website to see what we've been up to: www.ccdv.com

Thanks & I look forward to seeing you soon.

Tom Weigand (CCDV Vice President)

tomweigand@comcast.net

WE'RE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

ACTIVITIES: In past years “one person” coordinated all of our activities. There was a committee, but it was still a huge task!

So, for 2022 we decided to split up the Activities into more manageable categories. A few categories have been running like well-oiled machines for quite some time (ie: Breakfasts, Dinners, Cruise nights). No need to change them.

It's the new categories that need attention.

Specifically:

- 1) **Activities Coordinator** (kind of a Project Manager that ensures all of our activities don't step on each other & everyone communicates)
- 2) **Local Activities Coordinator** (this person or group finds activities that are around the Philly area (within approx 20-30 miles). Something that members with newer & older cars can attend)
- 3) **Distant Activities Coordinator** (this person or group finds more distant, sometimes over-night trips that folks with newer Vettes tend to be more interested in).

Spreading the workload will help everyone to be more focused on their specific category. This should result in less stress & happier club members.

Here's a list of our 2022 Activity Categories:

1. Monthly Breakfasts (John B)
2. Monthly Dinners (Barb P)
3. Cruise Nights (Apr-Sept) (Candy M & Chris M)
4. Cavalcade (Tim, Zach & Tom)
5. **Local Activities** (Need Volunteer Coordinator) (new category for 2022)
6. **Distant Activities** (Need Volunteer Coordinator) (new category for 2022)
7. **CCDV Picnic** (Need Volunteer Coordinator)
8. **CCDV Holiday Party** (Need Volunteer Coordinator)



Contact our President or VP (Ed Bonk ebonk1@msn.com or Tom Weigand tomweigand@comcast.net)

WE'RE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

TECHNICAL CHAIRPERSON:

This volunteer doesn't have to be an expert mechanic, but simply someone who knows Corvettes. You would be a sort of liaison between members who have technical questions & someone or someplace that has the answer.

If you can help members find the answers, that's perfect.

So, if you read Vette magazines or Corvette Blogger, etc, you may be just the person for this position.

Contact our President or VP (Ed Bonk ebonk1@msn.com or Tom Weigand tomweigand@comcast.net)

CORVETTE 101





CAVALCADE OF CORVETTES VOLUNTEER:

We always need help with our BIG yearly Show.

2022 will be our **50th Cavalcade** (Saturday, June 25, 2022)

You can volunteer for as much or as little time as you'd like.

Here's list of the Categories that need Volunteers:

- Bake Sale
- Chinese Auction
- Club Store
- 50/50 Ticket Sales
- Floater (help wherever needed)
- Grounds Keeping
- Parking
- Registration
- Show Setup (Fri Night)
- Show Setup (Sat Morning)
- Show Cleanup (Sat Afternoon)
- Vote Tabulation

Contact one of our Co-Chairmen (Tim Simmons tasimmons@gmail.com or Zach Hamada zhamada@comcast.net)

So, if you'd like to help your club, or simply have an idea or recommendation, please let us know.

Thanks,

Your CCDV Board of Directors

FEATURED ARTICLE

MY STORY

By the 1966 Corvette

I am a Nassau Blue Corvette and was ordered on May 4, 1966 from Forsyth Chevrolet in Homestead, PA. I was pretty expensive at \$4,900. My first owner was Ron who had just returned from the Army, married Ginny and was planning a family. Ron thought an Impala would be practical, but Ginny said "Get the Corvette now, or you'll never have it." So that's how I came into Ron and Ginny's family – I replaced an Impala.



My life was not easy. Ron used me all the time and I even commuted to his job at the steel mill on snow tires. Along came a daughter and I carried her also. By the mid-70s, I was getting a little tired, but Ron could not help me much since things at the steel mill were not too good. I kept on going though, all original except for a water pump, heater hose and some spark plugs.

In 1979, I knew my situation was in peril. Unfortunately, I needed brakes and Ron was laid off. There was talk of mortgage payments, and on Christmas week I was gone from the only home I ever knew. Guess the house was more important, but I can't believe they sold me. I think it hurt Ron a lot, maybe Ginny even more. It was her suggestion after all to buy the blue Corvette," Ron now or never".

I ended up in a dealer's lot, then another and finally a third one. Guess no one wanted a tired old gal. Didn't anyone see that I was all there, but just needed a helping hand?

My second owner had never owned a Corvette. He was an engineer and a very practical guy who owned a station wagon and rode a bike to work – a lot different than Ron. He wasn't even looking for a Corvette! But I could see a spark in his eyes when he saw me – loved my color. He chatted with his charming wife and bought me on the spot in a bar on a Saturday afternoon. I was heading to a second home – wonder what it's going to be like?

The new guy turns out to be a car enthusiast and has a hot Camaro in the garage. Maybe I got lucky. He cleans me up – I haven't been that clean in years. Fixes a lot of stuff too and the next thing I know, I'm in a car show. Boy, look at all those beautiful Vettes, bet they never spent their working days at a steel mill. Not bad, first time out and a third place award. I'm starting to feel pampered. This guy is spending a lot of time with me, but underneath I'm still a tired old gal. Oh my, heavens above, he is going to operate and I'm only 16 years old (1982). Every nut, bolt and

screw come apart and I end up scattered from one end of the house to another. My body hangs in one bay of the garage, my seats are in the guest bedroom, some of me is even under his bed. At first it hurts, those western Pennsylvania winters were not easy on me and I needed a lot of care, more than I can remember now. But he is patient, he even replates every nut, bolt and washer just like when I was new. I am apart for over three years, and he watches his time, spending almost 3,000 hours in the process. Off comes the old paint and my scars show. Forgot to tell him about the fender bender on the way to the mill in the snow. He has a buddy, good body shop man, who gives me a new coat of paint in an old garage. Who says it can't be done! Then comes the magic day when my engine goes back in (1985), and it's just in time for a big all Corvette car show. Boy would I like to show myself off, just in case any of the guys from the mill are around. They were not, but I did get a Top Flight award. Not bad for a workhorse!

For the next 12 years, I lived like a queen. I scored 98.9 points out of 100 in prestigious National Corvette Restorer's Society judging. Won a lot of blue ribbons, but I missed the old days on the road. In my heart, I was still a "steel mill lady". Guess my owner knew that also. We went out for drives more often. Oh how we love the sound of those side pipes at six grand, and I can still do it!



That's where I am now, pampered yes, but ready for those sunny days and back country roads. Just like it was in 1966. Life is good!

I had a scare a few years ago, actually the mid-1990's - my second owner was going to sell me. I was sick, how could he do this to me. The new buyer was ready; I was on the sales floor ready to go. But for some reason, he got in for one last seating. Then he turned the key and I fired right up, boy did I make those pipes sing, as Corvette sounding as ever. Oh, I was lucky. He took me home and put me back in my bay, you know the one with the blue plush carpet on the floor. I told you I was pampered, even steel mill gals like a little of that.

Well, that's my story, two families that loved me, one that lost me but will always remember me and still know where I am, and a second family that kept my Corvette heritage alive. Yes, I'm an older lady now, 56 years old, but I can still run pretty good and few of them sound like me. And you know, I don't look so bad either!

And yes, I am still in the same garage bay and still on plush carpet in the same garage bay now for forty-two years and we are still in contact with the first owners. Every year at Christmas Ron and Ginny get a note about the car and a photograph. Two families bonded by a '66 blue Corvette that changed our lives forever.

Jack Delong

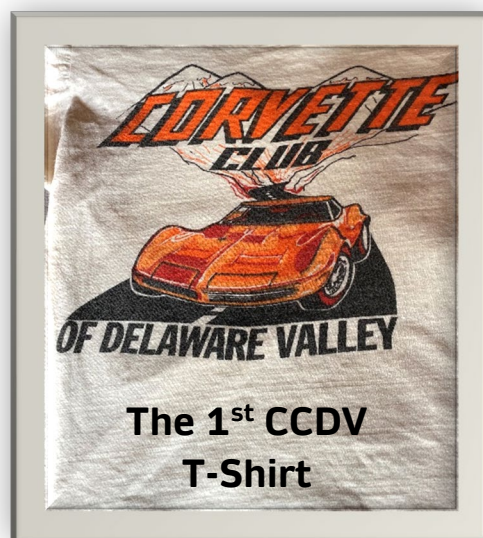
First written some 15 years ago, dates changed as the years accumulated.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

RUSS BENTMAN, PAST PRESIDENT 1985



It's been 50 years since I purchased my AWESOME corvette stingray. Well, I must tell you that I still have the same beautiful wife and the same beautiful stingray. The first part of my story, I wrote also 42 years ago. So here is the second part. The Chevrolet dealer Headley Erwin is long out of business. It was a mattress store and now it's a child daycare center. I wonder if my salesman John Phairow is still alive. Gas is no longer 74 cents a gallon. My baby just turned 17 thousand miles and has taken many trophies. Just last year put in my third battery, saved the original one naturally. The brakes gave up at about 10 years, so I installed S.S. calipers and silicone fluid. I put about 50 miles a year on her, and she runs and drives like new. Two years ago all the gaskets gave up so I had to replace them. Three thousand dollars later, no more leaks. The car is still totally stock and is MY true survivor. I had a run-in with a BMW on I 95 but my horsepower smoked him. It still smells new inside and runs like crazy. I now wish that I had purchased two, so I could give one to each of my sons. The 2014 Corvette Stingray is just AWSOME but to re-visit the 70'S is still in my blood even at 70. A lot of years have come and gone but when I drive my Stingray I'm 23 again. It's my magic carpet ride. I still don't consider CORVETTE part of G.M. The true AMERICAN sports car, bar none.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 13, 2022

Membership Meetings will start at 7:00pm.

The February Membership Meeting will be held inside.

-Looking for a **Technical Chairperson**, (and it's a voting position) so that club members have someone to go to when they have questions—even if they are just point person with the list of other club members with knowledge/expertise by class/year of car.

-Looking for **Activity Coordinator** – to co-ordinate with all the other activity chair-people so that there are no overlaps in the activities. Also still looking for one or more volunteers to head up trips (local and longer distance ones).

Activities – Barb Pergine and Johnny "Bacon" Benischeck

- January 22nd – Dinner at Graeme Park – 6:00pm
- February 12th - Breakfast at Otto's on Easton Rd @ 9:30am

Membership – Total Members 351

- Robert Landis (S) Jahn - 2007 White Convertible
 - Anthony Corrado (S) Linda - 2018 White Z06
 - Anthony Perno (S) Cheryl - 1966 Mosport Green Convertible
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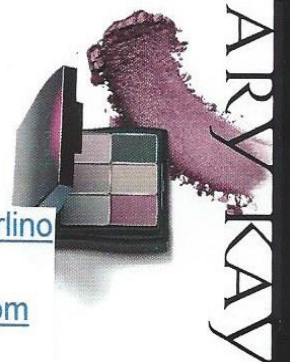
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