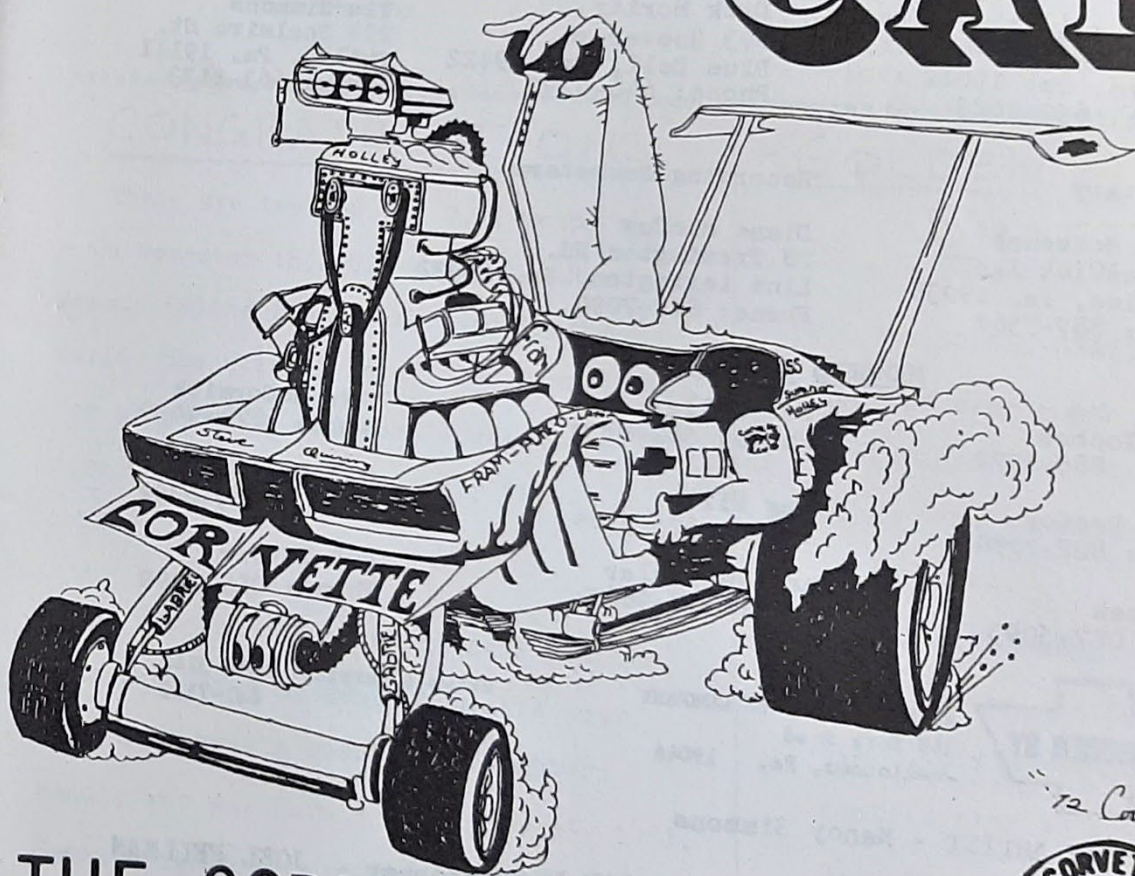


# THE GAS CAP

July 2022



THE CORVETTE CLUB  
OF DELAWARE VALLEY



## July's Vendor

CCDV Members: Matt & Laurie Long



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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT JULY 2022

Th Summer has finally arrived and the start of many club events.

The **June** Board meeting was very productive and the highlights of the ongoing monthly meetings are always printed in the monthly Gas Cap to keeping the members informed. The **June** General Membership meeting was as always, a lot of fun and laughs. The **Golden Shaft** award was given to **Candy Merlino** for her efforts hosting our **Cruise** nights and her participation in helping with the **Cavalcade of Corvettes** show by putting together approximately **130** baskets for the auction. That's quite an individual feat in itself and well deserving of the award. The guest speaker's birthday the day of the meeting and his wife wouldn't let him come but promised to be at the **July** meeting.

The clubs biggest event of the year, the **50<sup>th</sup> Cavalcade of Corvettes**, was a great success to say the least and exceeded expectations. It was **90** degrees and very humid but **159** beautiful Corvettes were in the show. It was great walking around looking at all the Corvettes and meeting people I have not seen in a while. A special **'Thank you'** goes to the **Cavalcade Chairperson (Zach Harmada)** and his committee assistants (**Tim Simmons, Tom Weigand, Barb Pergine, Candy Merlino, Penelope Hunt**) for taking the time and effort in putting together this great show. Also a big **'Thank you'** goes to all the volunteers who worked the show in one role or another. See **pages 8 & 9** for more details concerning the show.

CECF Raffle tickets are on sale (See Page 3).The proceeds from these tickets help with our donations to our charities.

Our current Gas Cap editor, **Laurie Long**, will be transferring this role to **Carole Canazaro** beginning with the **August issue**. **Laurie** as a new member this year volunteered to take on this role in support of the club not having an editor. **Laurie** has produced the best-looking editions of the Gas Cap that I have seen in my **23** years as a member. Each issue was complimented with pictures and drawing that made reading the issues more enlighten. .

I am still looking to fill the **Technical Chairperson** position who will be a Communication link in getting an answer or give direction for technical questions. The position is a Board positions with voting rights. **Joel Fellman** is temporarily filling in this position.

The **July** General Membership will be at the **Warminster VFW** on the **20<sup>th</sup>** Starting at **7:00 pm**.

I wish you and your families the best!  
Ed



*WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!*



Bob & Jahn Landis  
Anthony Corrado  
Anthony Perno  
Tracy & Ray Marijczuk  
Kevin Allen  
Barry Liebert  
Jeff & Julie Kauf  
Bill & Angela Adams  
David Howard  
Bob & Chris Dreyer  
Courtney & Frank Conti

Robert Folger  
Jim & Linda Naylor  
Art Gallagher  
Jim Mossop  
Bob McCrumn  
Hank & Phyllis Shupp  
Tripp Becker  
Eddie Morlyn  
Chuck Pitt  
C. Scott & Cheryl Collins  
Craig & Nancy Cline  
Bruce & Linda Houser

# A MESSAGE FROM CECF



CECF a Non-Profit Foundation

## **CHARITIES**

*Juvenile Diabetes, Caring For Friends,  
Martha's Choice, Lenape Foundation,  
Manna on Main Street,*

**PURCHASE TICKETS BELOW**

Hello Club Members,

The board of The Corvette Enthusiast Community Foundation is hoping that you and your families are in the best of health. We are seeing nice participation from our members who are able to make it to the meetings, but we also need our members who are unable to make it to the meetings to help. Even if you purchase one ticket your donation will help our charities. These past couple of years have been so difficult for the club and its members, but like the Americans that we are it only makes us stronger. So, what is new with CECF, the clubs charitable arm?

This year CECF has decided to do a Cash Raffle it will have a First, Second, Third place winners. The values of the winning prizes are as follows, Grand Prize will be \$5,000 cash, Second Place is \$1000, Third Place \$500. In addition, we have decided that any club member that sells ten tickets will be given a separate club raffle ticket. This ticket will go into a raffle that only our club members may win. If a member sells 30 tickets, they will have three raffle tickets in the drawing etc. In 1994 when CECF was create it was done with the intention of having its members involvement in selling these tickets. We are a charitable club. The purpose, to help those who are less fortunate with disabilities.

We are asking all of our members to get involved and if you know a family member, a friend, a relative or even if you came across someone who might have been challenged, think about this saying "I came across a man who was walking down the street who had no shoes, until I came upon a man who had no feet". Just a little food for thought. You can go to [cecfcharities.org](http://cecfcharities.org), our website will have more information and you may also purchase tickets with a credit card or pay pal.

PS. If you have sold your tickets or if you need more tickets, we will be at the next meeting. Thank You for your club participation.

Thank You,  
The Board of CECF

# 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  
Jack Blumenstock*

**Gas Cap Editor:** Carole Canazaro  
*carole\_canazaro@merck.com*

**Public Relations:**  
*Dennis Levitt & Rose Ferrante*

**Website:** Tom Weigand  
*webmaster@[ccdvd.com](http://ccdvd.com)*

## **Committees:**

### **Activity Chairperson:**

*Jack Blumenstock*

### **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*

### **Technical Chairperson**

*Joel Fellman (Interim)*

# 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, Picnic
Jack Blumenstock		Activities
Jacques Etkowicz		Bylaws, CCDV Ops Manual Project Manager
Rose Ferrante		Public Relations, Cavalcade, Cruise Nights, Picnic
Angelo Grippo		Activities
Zach Hamada		Cavalcade
Penelope Hunt		Cavalcade, Cruise Nights
Carole Canazaro		Gas Cap Newsletter Editor
Barb Pergine		Activities (Monthly Dinners), Cruise Nights, Cavalcade



1 Bill Walker

2 Larry Iannarone

4 Bruce Waldron

5 Mark Harnish

Frank Leonardo

7 Stuart Cerato

8 Jim Carnahan Jr.

Matt Long

10 Bruce Belzak

Wayne Rutter

11 Joe Corrado

Robert Folger

Frank Conti

12 Pattie Lankford

13 David Urbanek

14 Dennis Winokur

16 Alan Stout

17 MaryAnn Lenzi

18 Monia Pitra

Carl Haeussler

Paul Bearn

19 T. Wayne Lankford

Richard Neil

20 Charles Christian

Chris Rood

21 Michael Canazaro

Frank Suntheimer

22 Carol Vagnoni

25 James Doan

Stephen Smith

29 Sherry Bresler

30 Edward Scannapieco

31 Evan Stone

Carmen Vuotto

Judy Crouthamel



# 2022 CALVACADE NEWS



The 50<sup>th</sup> Cavalcade of Corvettes was held on Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> and all I can say is,

**“Wow, what a show!”**

Mother nature cooperated and even though it was a little on the hot and sunny side there



was no rain. There were 159 cars registered for the show when it was all said and done. With our preregistration being about half of this, Tim and his crew did a wonderful job of



handling the registration desk. As all these cars needed to be parked, Jack and his crew did a fantastic job in handling the flow of traffic and parking everyone safely. The Corvette VIP Lane on Rt. 263, which is in addition to the registered cars, was full every time I looked over. I have not heard of any damage to any cars so hurrah for that.

The auction tent was a success. Thank you, Candy, and her crew. There were plenty of sweets and coffee available thanks to Barb and her crew. The special display Tim put together with history of past shows was a real treat. The awarding of trophies went off as smooth as silk thanks to Chris. There was food, ice cream, music, trophies, and a large piece of equipment waving a huge American flag. Just so much to see and do.



We would like to thank everyone who participated in the show. Car registrants, sponsors, vendors, judges, DJs, and of course all the volunteers, without whom this show would not be possible. As part of this article there is a list of all volunteers we could identify. If you volunteered and are not included in this list, please accept our apologies, and know that your effort and service is very much appreciated.



Unfortunately, the list of trophy winners has not been received yet, so look for the list of winners on the website or in next month's Gas Cap.



Jack Blumenstock took many pictures (which are spotlighted within this article) and Tom Weigand is working hard on getting them up on the website. We also had some drone pictures and video taken so these will be on

the website CCDV.com along with our Facebook page. Please be patient as there is a lot for Tom to upload.



I would personally like to thank everyone involved with the show, from the Cavalcade committee to the car registrants, vendors, sponsors and of course all the volunteers. Everyone should give these great people a round of applause for all the hard work that goes into this show.



We have heard a lot of positive feedback on the show and some areas where we can improve moving forward. We all want to make this an enjoyable event for everyone that attends, and we will work hard at doing our best to make that happen.

Here's looking forward to the 51<sup>st</sup> in '23!

**Zach**



# CALVALCADE VOLUNTEERS

1. Janice Baugher - Auction
2. Greg Baugher - Breakdown
3. John Benischeck - Setup, Parking, Auction
4. Jeff Biscardi - Parking
5. Leroy Blimegger - Parking
6. Jack Blumenstock - Photography
7. Tony Buonassissi - Pretzels, Trophies
8. Denny Crouthamel - Setup, Parking
9. Judy Crouthamel - Bake Sale
10. Dor DeLong - Bake Sale
11. Jack DeLong - Parking
12. Al DePue - Parking
13. Lydia DeSimone- Breakdown
14. Jim Doan - Setup, Breakdown
15. Edie Doan - Setup, Bake Sale
16. Kerry Duke - Setup, Parking

Thank You Volunteers

27. Victoria Harris (Tim's Granddaughter) - Registration
28. Pattie Hartman - Registration
29. Jack Householder - Planning, Setup, Breakdown, Parking



17. Sue Fellman - Registration
18. Joel Fellman - Parking
19. Rose Ferrante - Auction
20. Rachel Ferrante - Auction, 50/50
21. Ang Grippo - CECF
22. Barb Grippo - CECF
23. Eric Hamada - Breakdown, Parking
24. Zach Hamada - Planning, DJ, Setup, Breakdown, Gator, Trailer
25. Cliff Hamilton - Setup, Breakdown
26. Evelyn Hamilton - Bake Sale

30. Penelope Hunt - Vendors & Auction
31. Bob Kostaras - Setup, Gator Trailer
32. Bob Landis - 50/50 Sales
33. Jahn Landis - 50/50 Sales
34. Gus Lang - Registration
35. Denny Matlack- Setup, Breakdown, T-shirt Sale, Parking
36. Eileen Matlack - T-shirt sales
37. John McKinnon - Parking
38. Candy Merlino - Planning, Auction, Trophies, Setup, Breakdown
39. Chris Merlino - Trophies, Announcements, Auction
40. Gail M (Don Lemek's GF) - Auction
41. Joe Parente - CECF
42. Wayne Paskel - Breakdown
43. Barb Pergine - Planning, Advertising, Bake Sale
44. John Pergine - Parking
45. Shari Pfrommer - Parking
46. Dan Ritting - Parking
47. Tim Simmons - Planning, Registration, Treasurer, Membership
48. Tim Simmons Jr - Setup, Breakdown, Registration

49. Dawn Simmons - Setup, Breakdown, Registration
50. Danielle Simmons - Registration
51. Jackie Simmons - Registration
52. Dan Supplee - Parking
53. John Tambourine - Setup
54. Russ Thomas - Setup, Parking
55. Dennis Traves - Parking
56. Debbie Traves - T-Shirts
57. Dave Urbanek - Breakdown, Parking
58. Tom Villareale - Donated use of Tables & Chairs

59. Tom Weigand - Planning, T-Shirts, Setup, Breakdown, Trailers
60. Henry Weikel - Breakdown & Trash
61. Ken Woods - Parking
62. Steve Woodland - Setup
63. Dan Wurst - Breakdown, Parking
64. Linda Zaks - Bake Sale



*We ♥ our  
Volunteers*

# THE RETURN OF THE GOLDEN SHAFT

This is an award presented by the President to a member of the club for outstanding service.

This month's recipient was Candy Merlino  
The winner receives bar privileges for the night.

Congratulations NICE GOING!  
GREAT! Way to Go!  
Yea! FELICITATIONS  
CHEERS Take A BEST  
BOW! WISHES!



# WAYNE'S CORVETTE COOKOUT

## Wayne's Corvette Cookout

Saturday Aug 13, 2022

Noon to 4pm

(Sunshine event only)

Lunch will be at 1pm.

**Location:** Wayne Paskel's House

271 Shadynook Rd 19438

Harleysville, PA (Lower Salford Twp)



Wayne is a CCDV member that has offered to supply & cook Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, & Italian Sausages. Salads, drinks, & condiments will also be supplied.

There's a swimming pool available only for those wearing CCDV Speedos... :-)

Wayne also has an awesome car collection & garage that you'll want to see.

\*At approx 4pm we plan to caravan to the

Harleysville Walmart Parking Lot for the monthly Cruise Night.

Cruise Night is Sponsored by BuxMont Street Machine Association

51 Main St, Harleysville, PA 19438 (Intersection of Rt 63 & 113). 5pm til ?

**\*\*You are asked to bring a dessert & a lawn chair.**

**We ask that you RSVP soon as the head count will be limited to approx 50 people.**



We'd like to limit the number of cars attending to 25 (there will be lawn parking)

RSVP to John Benescheck via email ([jbenischeck@gmail.com](mailto:jbenischeck@gmail.com)) or the Website Forum ([www.ccdv.com](http://www.ccdv.com)., logon & select Forum)

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](http://www.ccdv.com)

**Email:** [info@ccdv.com](mailto:info@ccdv.com)

**Phone:** 215-938-7722

**Mail:** CCDV Box 397, Willow Grove, PA 19090

# CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST

## The CCDV Breakfast at American Star on June 4, 2022

The American Star Diner is located at 1200 Welsh Road in North Wales, PA.

This eatery was recommended by Dennis & Debbie Trayes, who have moved, but are still lifetime members.

Weatherwise, it was a glorious day to drive our Vettes to North Wales.

We were able to line up our 9 Corvettes - in 7 distinct colors.

We even had a C-2 there, since Stan & Maryann Fisher brought their blue '67 convertible out to play.



The breakfast choices were many and delicious, and everyone had a terrific time! (Let the record show that Stan Fisher has peculiar tastes: Stan likes a little egg with his black pepper!

Obviously, someone refilled the pepper shaker without screwing on the cap properly. But the Server brought out a new plate of scrambled eggs, and Stan didn't starve.)

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 22 attending CCDVers were:

Fran & Joanne Schmidt.....and.....Bob & Jahn Landis

Cliff & Evelyn Hamilton.....and.....Julie & Jeff Kauf

Joan & Kevin Allen.....and.....Fran & Barry Hunsicker

Chis & Jeff Biscardi.....and.....Stan & Maryann Fisher

Wayne & Linda Zaks.....and.....Paul McMullin & Barbara Blenheim

Barb Pergine.....and.....Johnny Bacon

*On Saturday, July 9th we'll breakfast at The ENERGY STATION in Harleysville at 10:00am. I hope that you can make it.*



Johnny Bacon



# SAVE THE DATE

**Join us for  
BREAKFAST  
SATURDAY,  
JULY 9, 2022  
At 10:00 a.m.**

**RSVP by 2:00 p.m. on 7/8/22 to  
Johnny Bacon at 215-208-6620**

**OR**

**Post your response on CCDV's  
website – in the FORUM**

**Our next location is:  
ENERGY STATION**



**Shelly Square Shopping  
Center  
2710 Shelly Road  
Harleysville, PA 19438  
215-256-8866  
Rain or Shine**

***A BIG THANK YOU and a “Tip O’ The Hat” to Dan &  
Maureen Wurst, and Joan & Kevin Allen who recommended  
this Eatery!***



**Hope to see you there!**

**Johnny Bacon**

# *GIOVANNI'S*

We had a fun time again at our monthly dinner at Giovanni's Pizza with  
15 members in attendance.

The pasta with shrimp specials did not disappoint as usual,  
and most of us took leftovers home.



As always, we all shared stories and had lots of laughs all evening long.  
The restaurant was full, and we had to talk over one another to be heard.  
It did get a bit loud by the end of the night.

Everyone commented on Tony's "Doing Nothing" t-shirt.  
I need to get one.

Having a good time with your friends is what it's all about.

# *SAVE THE DATE*

## **Dinner at Graeme Park Pizza**

**Graeme Park Pizza  
801 County Line Road, Horsham  
Saturday, July 23rd – 5:30pm**

Come and join in the friendly get together for good food and conversation.

Please sign up on the website forum or text Barb Pergine at 484-436-1111, to join in this dinner.

Thank you.



*Est. 2001*

# GRAEME PARK PIZZA

*B.Y.O.B*

# 2023 CCDV CALENDARS

## CCDV Wall Calendars:

- The club plans to build a **CCDV Wall Calendar** each year.
- Sales of the calendar will help to pay various club expenses ( insurance, hall rental, website, etc).
- The standard size calendar is 17" Long x 11" Wide (when open). We may go bigger next year.
- We encourage **all club members** to submit a photo of their Corvette for inclusion in the Calendar.
- Submitted photos will also be placed onto our website.

**Suggested Calendar Theme for 2023: Corvettes on Location**  
Take a pic of your Vette at Famous locations (local or national).



Some examples to park in front of:

Independence Hall, Battleship New Jersey, Citizen's Bank Park,  
Valley Forge Park, Walt Whitman Bridge, Lucy The Elephant, Ocean City Boardwalk,  
New Hope, Your local Fire Station, Bryn Athyn Cathedral, Lehigh Valley Tunnel,  
NCM, Cape May Lighthouse, Longwood Gardens, etc.....

An additional idea may be to **add a Holiday theme** to your pic.  
Red roses for Valentine's day, flags for Independence day, pumpkins for Halloween, etc.

***If you have an idea for a Calendar Theme, please share.***

## Top Tips

Here are some **Rules of Thumb** for your photos:

- Include your complete name & year of Corvette (ie: John Smith 1992 LT-1).
- Be aware of the **background** in your photo (try to exclude trash cans, poles, vehicles, fences, random people, parking lots lines, large shadows, etc).
- Don't point your camera towards the sun (best to have the sun at your side).
- Watch for excessive sun glare on your windshield or chrome.
- Keep windows down to prevent reflection or glare
- A "closed hood" looks better & requires less print space than an "open hood" photo.
- If you submitted a photo last year, try to submit a different photo this year.
- Verify your email address hasn't changed since joining the club. This information must stay current.
- Email 1 or 2 of your favorite photos to: [webmaster@ccdvd.com](mailto:webmaster@ccdvd.com)
- **Photo submittal deadline is September 30th.**
- Calendars should be available for purchase by mid November.

# *JUNE 18 CRUISE NIGHT*

It was a cold and windy Cruise Night at The Shops at Valley Square on June 18<sup>th</sup> with under 50 cars on the lot. There was another evening event nearby and the fact that the weather was not the best probably kept some away.



Chris Merlino entertained us with his motorized car bouncing around.

Thanks to Candy & Chris Merlino, Rose Ferrante and John Benischeck who sold 50/50 tickets and snacks and kept the music going.

The income from the 50/50 tickets was \$46,  
and we made \$65 from the pretzels, sodas, waters and juice sales.

Our trophy winners were: Tony Cardinali for his 1950 Black Ford Contour  
Dominic Costantino for his 1974 Green Corvette and  
Bill West for his 1964 Red Corvette.  
Congratulations to all the winners.



Here's a few pictures from the event.

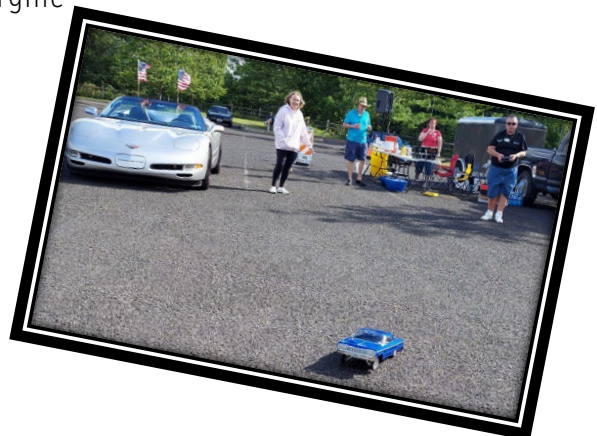
There are many more pictures on our Website and Facebook Page, no login needed.

Join the Facebook Page listed as "Corvette Club of Delaware Valley"  
with a picture of a blue Corvette.



Hope to see everyone again next month on July 16th.

Barb Pergine



## ***JULY CRUISE NIGHT***

# **Corvette Club of Delaware Valley**

**C.C.D.V's Cruise Night – Open to all Cars**

**Saturday, July 16th, 2022**

**In the parking lot behind The Shops at  
Valley Square, 1501 Main Street in  
Warrington.**

**(between Rt 611 & Valley Square Blvd)**

**5pm**



**dusk**

**Free to enter – Music and Snacks –  
50/50 Drawing – Trophies**

# NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM – “THE BASH”

*APRIL 28-30, 2022*

The Bash is the opening event at the National Corvette Museum each year and is focused on “what is new” with Corvette and is keynoted by the Corvette marketing, engineering and manufacturing teams. Each team gives seminars or demonstrations on



all that is going on with the Corvette and of course this year's focus was on the new Z-06 high performance model scheduled for production later this year. So much is new and the engineering so outstanding that I could never detail here what we saw and heard. However, if you are interested the seminars can be found on YouTube but believe me the sound of a 2023 Z-06 starting up is awesome even across the parking lot.

The whole Bash event is filled with activities including a good number of road tours lead by the NCM, a live and silent auction of Corvette items past and present, a special classroom on the C-8 hosted by Paul Koerner recognized as the GM Corvette specialist (preregistration



required) and both Michelin Tire and Mobil 1 Oil technical updates. Yes, believe me that the summer tires on my new Z-51 are far improved of those that came on our Z-51 2014 and that was verified by the Michelin engineers upon my questioning. Technology never rests nor does



improvement in design. From the Museum's car collection demonstration drives of older Z-06's and the iconic '63 Split window were something to see and hear. Actually, this synopsis is only a portion of all that was available for us attendees including two banquets at the NCM on Thursday and Friday evenings.

My Corvette group to the Bash totaled 16 Corvettes in what Dor and I refer to as “our Corvette extended family” and many of us have been traveling together on NCM events for years if not decades. Our group had cars from Eastern Pennsylvania, of course, but also from Indiana, Ohio, Georgia, and New York plus one couple from Ontario that none of us had seen for well over two years due to Covid 19 lockdowns. So, for many of us it was like a family reunion - nine





Corvettes from our area and the others joining us in Bowling Green at our favorite hotel. The lobby echoed with the sounds of familiar voices every evening not only from our group but friends from other Corvette Clubs that we have gotten to know so well over the years. The NCM is indeed a focal point for all things Corvette especially the people.

For Dor and I, it was our first extended road trip in our new 2022 Z-51 Corvette and that is another story in "how to pack" and to experience extremes of weather from very warm to cold with very heavy rain. The new C-8 handled it all without a whimper, was a delight as the caravan lead, and felt great on the solo 800 mile trip home straight through. One thing is for sure, gas mileage definitely improves with break-in miles.



Jack DeLong, CCDV Ambassador to the National Corvette Museum

# GLOVEBOX

Recently I reached into my 2008 C6 thru the open passenger side window to get the insurance papers needed to fill out the required State Registration Form, a simple act that I had done many times over the years. Surprise when the plastic latch handle snapped off and the glove box was still closed with no way to open it. Yes, I tried using a small screwdriver, ice pick, then a larger screwdriver and finally some days later used brute force, get my fingers behind the door on both sides of the latch and yank hard—it worked and the locking mechanism also plastic except for the tumbler shattered. I cut a piece of wood and used that to wedge the door shut so the light would go out. The actual latch mechanism is held in place with two small torx screws only accessible from the inside of the glove box. What now?



Well, a trip to Bryner and a chat with Steve" *our master Corvette guru*" and surprise I am not the only C6 owner who has experienced this problem and the replacement latch is available, but a word from Steve to be careful with inserting the tumbler into the latch mechanism,



it only goes one way. Well," with less than good close vision" a second trip to Bryner and Steve carefully inserts the tumbler mechanism, amazing how easy it is when you know what you are doing. Even better, Steve lets me borrow a miniature torx ratchet that made the job of attaching the new latch into the glove box door so easy. The original latch was cashmere in color but the new one is black and as my good passenger said, "who cares"! Actually, we like it better.

First of all I would like that thank the people at Bryner for helping me solve a somewhat unorthodox problem. How many repair facilities would give you detailed instructions, help with replacement parts and even give you a special tool to aid in reassembly? Believe me, I do appreciate all that was done to solve this problem.

And from now on I would suggest to all C6 owners: push lightly on the glove box door before pulling the latch handle to reduce stress on the mechanism. No more reaching in the window to open the glove box, it isn't worth it.

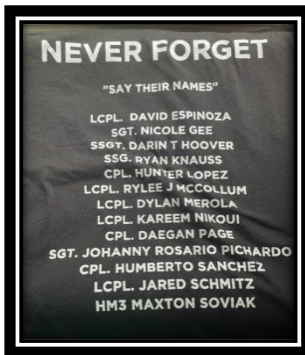
Jack DeLong



# WOUNDED HERO 5K, CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW



Hello to all and a synopsis of a very emotional 5k on June 18th, last Saturday. I run this event every year in support of our wounded servicemen, but this year was different in that the event was dedicated to the 13 servicemen and women so needlessly sacrificed, and for that sacrifice no one was held accountable, in the exit from Afghanistan.



The event centered on those who lost their lives for our Country, those in uniform giving of themselves so that others may have freedom. And the event was so emotional in that a number of the fathers

and mothers, wives and children of the 13 lost were on stage and had the opportunity to speak to all of us attending and participating in the tribute. There is no way I can put into words the anguish and "anger" of the mothers, fathers and families that have forever lost a loved one.

The honored Gold Star quests were brought to the event in a special trolley escorted by literally hundreds of motorcycles, and you guess it almost all were Harley's. The sound from all those motorcycles could be heard long before the escorted trolley could be seen. Of course, local police departments, fire departments and EMT personnel were all there.

The event was held at the Warminster Community Park that long ago was the location of the Johnsville Naval Air Station so noted for the massive centrifuge where all

the astronauts trained during the first days of space flight and into the orbiter era. Our 5k course began and ended down the long runway on which so many astronauts know to all of us landed and took off from. I does cross your mind as you run down that long runway of the heros that used that same airstrip. In conjunction and in support of the run and walk was a tremendous car show including all makes from classics, resto-mods and hot rods. It was an impressive show covering a big part of the runway.



My race was a good one on an exceptional weather day for June in our area--68 degrees and no humidity and beautiful blue sky's with

puffy white clouds, perfect running weather. I ran a steady pace and posted a time of 30 minutes 21 seconds that put me in the upper half of the field and 8th in the 60 to "death class" as I call it. I again requested a 80 and up class but the organizers just seemed incredulous, "you want what?". The ages of those ahead of me were by finish place: 63,63,60,65,63,64,61 and 73. The top 60 plus runner posted a 20-18, great time.



And every race has a story, I call this the Kelliann race. I came up to her about half mile from the finish and she was slowing down so I ran beside her and said, "let's pace together" and we did almost to the finish when she slowed a bit finishing with a time of 30-27 just 6 seconds behind me. After the race she found me, brought her family too and asked if we could be photographed together. Of course and I was so thrilled, encouragement, maybe helping, means more than medals.



# *ORELAND INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE*



Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

Assemble at 9:00 am at the ACME, 1825 Limekiln Pike, Dresher, PA

Please meet at the ACME parking lot and decorate your cars  
for the parade if you choose to do so.

Please bring a very **LARGE** bag of hard candy  
to throw out for the kids along the parade route.

The route is maybe 2 miles long and about an hour from start to finish.

Additional details to follow - currently awaiting more information from  
Sid Gosser of the Oreland Lions Club.



# *HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD MEETING*

## *JUNE 9, 2022*

**General Membership Meetings will start at 7:00pm.**

**Activities – Activities – Barb P / John B. / Candy M. / Jack B.**

- June 11th – Dinner location @ Giovanni's @ 5:30pm
- June 18th – Cruise Night at Shops at Valley Square @ 5pm – dusk (continuing on 3rd Saturday of the month until September).
  - June 25th – Cavalcade of Corvettes
  - July 9th – Breakfast at Energy Station @ 10AM
- July 16th – Cruise Night at Shops at Valley Square @ 5pm – dusk (continuing on 3rd Saturday of the month until September).
  - July 23rd – Dinner TBD
  - Oreland Parade July 4th
    - Club Picnic – TBD
    - Holiday Party – TBD
- Looking for a Boardwalk of Corvettes coordinator

**Membership –**

- James & Connie Mossop - 1997 White Coupe
- Bob & Faye McCrumn - 2002 Black Convertible

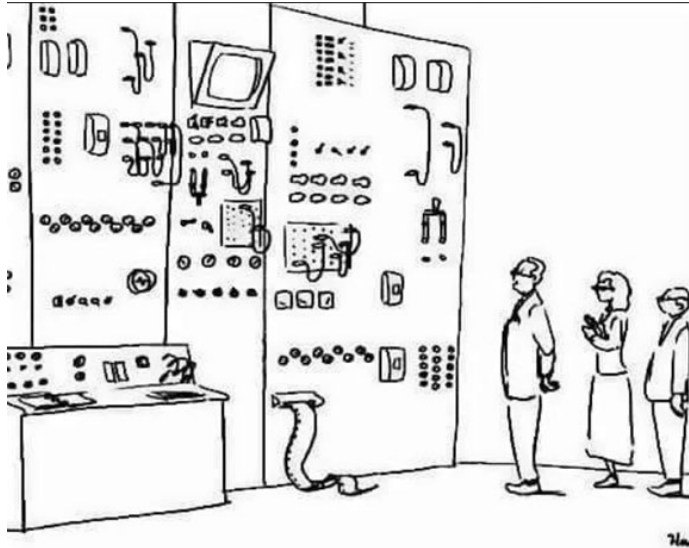
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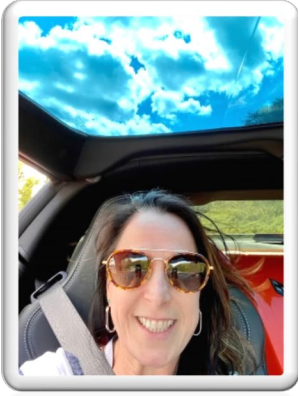
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**Happiness**  
is not around the corner,  
it *is* the corner.

I would like to take this opportunity to **THANK YOU ALL** for allowing me to serve you and the Club as Editor of the CCDV Gascap for close to a year!

I would also like to **WELCOME** and **THANK** *Carole Canazaro* for taking over the editorial Gascap duties!

Beginning on July 1, please contact or forward any articles, events, ectara to Carole @ [carole\\_canazaro@merck.com](mailto:carole_canazaro@merck.com).

