



# ***The Gas Cap***

## **September 2022**



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write this message **Labor Day** is approaching which means summer is unofficially coming to an end, but not for our club. We still have many events and meetings both Board and General Membership planned until the end of the year!

At the August General Meeting I presented 7 members with a **25 Consecutive Year Membership Plaque**. Four members were awarded their plaques and three members couldn't make it and will receive their plaques at a later date. The 7 members receiving their plaques were **Bruce Blumenthal, James Davis, Jack Householder, Ed Johnson, Ken Lynch, Jim Neelans and Joe Remich**. Congratulations to everyone for your loyalty and dedication to our club.

The **Golden Shaft** award this month was given to **John Benischeck** for his role in planning and coordinating the picnic at **Wayne Paskel's** house in Harleysville, as well as the other monthly Breakfast outings at our local Eateries. **Great Job Johnny!**

The **September** General Membership meeting will be held as usual at the VFW. It was voted on by the Board Members in July to also include a Picnic/BBQ for all in attendance this month. Food will be served starting at **5:45 p.m. followed by our general meeting at 7 p.m.** and hopefully we will also have our guest speaker this meeting.

The **Ocean City Boardwalk Corvette** show will be on **September 11<sup>th</sup>** and if you want to caravan with me then meet me at my old restaurant (Katie O'Donnells) now **Nicks Roast Beef** in the Franklin Mills Philadelphia complex at **6:00 am**. You can also meet us at the **Frank Farley Plaza** on the Atlantic City Expressway at **7:00 am** or **Josie Kelly's in Somers point at 7:45 a.m.** Call me if you have any questions (267-253-7460).

The CECF Raffle tickets are still available and can be purchased at an upcoming meeting or purchased online, please see the link on the CECF page. The proceeds from these tickets help with our donations to our local charities. We thank you for your generosity in helping to help others.

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 for this position

I am also looking for a person(s) to take over the club store as **Denny** and **Eileen Matlock** will be stepping down at the end of the year. Please consider donating your time in helping out the club.

The **September** General Membership Meeting will be held at the **Warminster VFW** on **September 21<sup>st</sup>** starting at **7:00 p.m. preceded by the Picnic/BBQ starting at 5:45 p.m.**

I wish you and your families the best

Ed



# WELCOME NEW CCDV MEMBERS!



**Welcome!!  
Russell Bentman  
and Steve Packer**

## Wave Rules

by Dan Woerner, Lost Caravan Corvette Club

The Corvette Wave is an integral part of the mystique and culture of the Corvette owner experience. Corvette owners who wave at fellow Corvette owners when they pass on the road show a mark of recognition that you are among the elite group of intelligent people who are driving America's True Sports Car. And as a member of this elite group, you should be recognized for your poise and intelligence. So for those who don't know the five simple Corvette Wave rules, here they are:

**1. There is no excuse for not waving at your fellow Corvette owner.**

Although most Corvette owners have the class and understanding to accept when their wave is not returned, not waving is a serious breach of proper Corvette etiquette.

**2. Whoever sees the other Corvette first, starts the wave.**

There isn't any rule about who waves first. This is simple; if you see another Corvette, wave!

**3. Rules 1 and 2 apply to both sexes.**

As far as who starts the wave, it doesn't make a difference if you are a man or women. Rules 1 and 2 apply.

**4. Any type of wave is okay.**

Whether you shoot a big wave up through your open Vette top, out the window, or a quick salute with your hand on the steering wheel, any wave that can be seen by the other Corvette driver is okay. However, this does not include any style of jester that can be interpreted as obscene or insulting. Remember, Corvette owners are a class act; while someone might have been rude or stupid to you, try not to return the favor. (This is a tough rule not to break with all the stupid drivers who manage to get a driver's license.)

**5. A late wave is better than no wave.**

If you suddenly realize that a Corvette driver is passing and waving at you, get a wave off as soon as possible. The other Corvette driver may see your wave in their rear view mirror and realize that you were just a little late in getting your wave going. Although missing the timing of your wave is a "goof," getting off a wave that the other Corvette driver has a chance to see can acceptably cover this slip-up.

So you can see the underlying concept here is simple: Wave at your fellow Corvette owners, whoever they are, whenever you see them. This will show you are a person who understands the full measure and etiquette that comes with your proud ownership of a Corvette.



# CCDV BOARD MINUTES

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM CCDV BOARD MEETING August 11, 2022

General Membership Meeting will start at 7:00pm.

- Still looking for people to submit their car pictures for the calendar and looking for an assistant/replacement for the position.

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

- September 10th – Breakfast at Franconia Café @ 9:30am - at location 513 Allentown Rd, Souderton, PA 18964
- September 17th - Cruise Night at Shops at Valley Square @ 5pm – dusk – FREE HOT DOG night.

### **CCDV Name Tags**

Please contact Candy Merlino – [cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com)

Tags are \$20.00 each

(at least three orders are needed to place an order)

### **CCDV License Plates**

Please contact Tim Simmons - [tsimmons@gmail.com](mailto:tsimmons@gmail.com)

Regular CCDV Plate - \$33.00

Personalized CCDV Plate - \$141.00



# 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 Traves*

## **Board Membership:**

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

**Gas Cap Editor:** Carole Canazaro  
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*Dennis Levitt & Rose Ferrante*

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

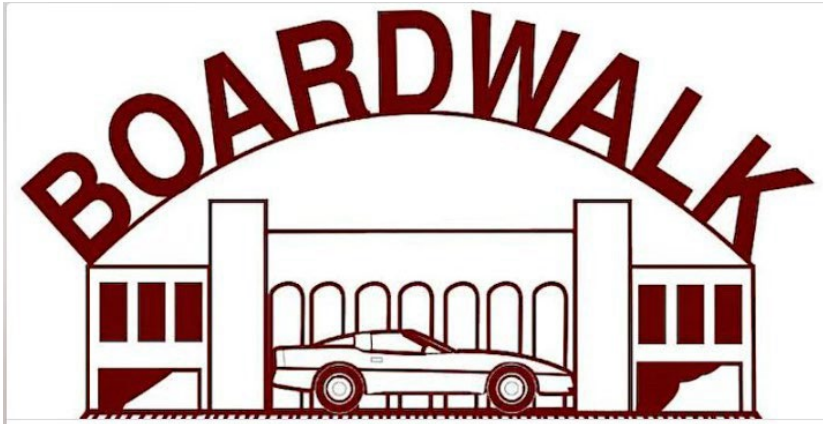
*Jack DeLong*

### **Technical Chairperson**

*Joel Fellman (Interim)*

# *DAY AT THE BEACH CORVETTE SHOW*

## *SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022*



This show is Sold Out!!  
450 Corvettes registered!  
We hope to see you on the  
Boards of Ocean City, NJ.

Sun, September 11, 2022  
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM EDT  
Ocean City, NJ  
Boardwalk, 08226



# UPCOMING CCDV BOARD ELECTIONS

## **Elections for 2023 are just around the corner...** **How about getting involved?**

CCDV elections will be held on  
Wednesday, November 18th 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 **Friday, September 30th**, in order to have your name included on the printed ballots. All candidate's 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 30th** as well.

The CECF positions are voted on by the CCDV board at the November Board Meeting

The nominating committee contacts are:

Rose Ferrante, [rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com](mailto:rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com) or  
Candy Merlino, [cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com)

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 (VP, Treas., Secty., & Recording Secty.)

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Rose Ferrante; 215-343- 5552.

Thank you!

*Rose Ferrante,*  
*CCDV Nominating Committee*





*JOIN US FOR THE CCDV PICNIC/BBQ  
Before the General MEETING,  
SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> – All Welcome!*

## **THE 2022 CCDV PICNIC MEETING**

**GOOD NEWS!!**

At 5:45 PM, on Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup> – immediately before our monthly CCDV General Meeting – a mouth-watering catered Picnic Dinner will be provided at the VFW for all attending CCDV Members, free-of-charge!!  
Just Show Up!

### **THE MENU:**

BBQ Boneless Chicken  
Grilled Chicken  
1/3 lb. Black Angus Burgers  
Hotdogs  
Pasta Salad  
Tossed Garden Salad  
Redskin Potato Salad  
Baked Beans  
Corn on the Cob  
Lemonade, Iced Tea, Water



**Johnny Bacon and Barbara Pergine**





# A MESSAGE FROM THE CORVETTE ENTHUSIAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CECF)

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 seen 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 [www.ceccharities.org](http://www.ceccharities.org) our website will have more information and you may also purchase tickets with a credit card or pay pal. **The Drawing will be held in November!**

PS. If you've sold your tickets or if you need additional tickets, we will have then available at the next monthly meeting.

Thank You for your club participation.

**The Board of CECF**



CECF a Non-  
Profit Foundation  
**CHARITIES**

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

# *THE GOLDEN SHAFT AWARD*

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

This month's recipient was  
John Benischeck  
Thank You Johnny for All your planning and  
coordination at the Eateries around town and  
Wayne Paskel's Summer Cookout.  
Great Job!!



The winner receives bar privileges for the night.



# Wayne Paskel's Corvette Cookout



Hi Wayne:

On behalf of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley, I wanted to sincerely Thank You for providing a Very Fun and Very Delicious and Very Successful picnic today (8/13/22).

Our 39 Corvettesters had a wonderful time meeting you and enjoying your generous hospitality, good food, music, chatting and laughing and just enjoying everyone's company.

And I have to say Wayne, your pristine automobile collection, your home & grounds and your swimming pool/patio area are all really impressive and (frankly) GORGEOUS!! (I personally was very careful not to drool on any of your fine automobiles.) And your idea to finish the day at the Walmart Cruise Night provided the perfect finish to a perfect day!



Best Wishes for a successful business trip tomorrow.

Save the wave,  
John Benischeck  
Board Member of Corvette Club of Delaware Valley



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CCDV 25 YEAR MEMBERS!!

Congratulations to Our CCDV Members for the last 25 years!!

*Bruce Blumenthal, Jim Davis, Jack Householder,  
Ed Johnson, Ken Lynch, Jim Neelans, Joe Remich  
(Jim, Jim and Joe not pictured)*

**Bruce Blumenthal**



**Jack Householder**

**Ed Johnson**



**Ken Lynch**



# CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST

## *The CCDV BREAKFAST at BERNIE'S RESTAURANT* *AUGUST 7, 2022*

BERNIE'S is located on York Road in the middle of Hatboro. It was a beautiful and hot Summer day for our Breakfast. Fortunately, BERNIE'S opened early and allowed our group to wait until 10am in their air-conditioned lobby. Eighteen hungry CCDVers arrived at our monthly morning party. We were pleased to welcome first-timers Bruce & Linda Houser.



We had our own private room, which was very nice and the food was hot and tasty - except for the weird home fries. The camaraderie among our diners was outstanding! And we all helped Stan Fisher celebrate his August 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

HOWEVER..... the coffee, which is ALWAYS supposed to be served IMMEDIATELY after a "breakfast customer" is seated, did not arrive until I complained twice - to both the Server and the Manager. (The broken Coffee machine in our area should not have stopped our Server from going to another Coffee Station in the restaurant.) We will NOT be going back to BERNIE'S!



Our CCDV Vettesters were:

Bruce & Linda Houser,  
Fran & Joanne Schmidt  
Bob & Jahn Landis  
Joan & Kevin Allen  
Stan & Maryann Fisher  
Jeff & Chris Biscardi  
Denny & Eileen Matlack  
Linda & Wayne Zaks  
Jeff Kauf  
Johnny Bacon

On Saturday, September 10th we'll breakfast at The Franconia Café in Souderton at 9:30am.

I hope to see you there!!

**Johnny Bacon**





*CCDV ROVING BREAKFAST*

*Our next location is:*

**Franconia Square Café & Market**  
**513 Allentown Road**  
**Souderton, PA 18964**

**Saturday  
September 10, 2022  
At 9:30 a.m.  
215-721-1525  
Rain or Shine**



RSVP by 2:00 p.m. on 9/9/22 to Johnny Bacon at 215-208-6620  
OR Post your response on CCDV's website – in the FORUM

*A Big Thank You and a "Tip O' The Hat" to Kevin & Joan Allen who recommended this Eatery! Hope to see you there!!*

# Johnny Bacon

**Park in the Truck Area in the Back Lot.  
The Trucker's don't work on Saturday's!!**

# DINNER AT MAGERKS

Saturday, September 24th –  
Dinner at MaGerks Pub



307 Horsham Road  
Horsham, PA

Saturday, September 24th – 5:30 PM



Please join in the monthly dinner at MaGerks Pub & Grill in Horsham. This eatery is a sports bar, a little on the noisy side, but then so are we. They serve great pub fare and are known for their steak sandwiches.

So, make it casual with a t-shirt and shorts and let's get together for a brew and some good conversation.

You can check out their menu at:

<https://d3ciwvs59ifrt8.cloudfront.net/940fe456-cf14-488f-be0c-7097c9f956a5/1d1ed8d1-2235-405c-8a7a-317f1771b32.pdf>





# SAVE THE DATE! HOLIDAY PARTY



Mark your calendars Corvettesters!!

This year our Awesome Holiday Party will be held on

***Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>  
from 6:00PM to 10:00PM.***

*It will take place at the beautiful*

***Spring Mill Country Club on Jacksonville Road in Ivyland -  
which is just north of Warminster.***

The Cocktail Hour (with a Cash Bar)

with Hors D'oeuvres and music will start at 6:00PM.

A delicious 3-course sit-down dinner will follow at 7:00PM.

After dinner, our own Rose Ferrante and Dor DeLong, (after much practice), will entertain us with either an Acrobatic Singing/Juggling Act

OR

a Super-Fun Trivia Game – with prizes.

(Rose & Dor will surprise us on December 10<sup>th</sup> with their choice of entertainment.)

But wait, there's more!

After the entertainment, the music will change to  
“Bona Fide” Dance Tunes, which are guaranteed to  
entice our fast dancers & slow dancers to the wooden dance floor.

The club will be picking up a portion of the bill for the party, but there will be a per person charge, which will be determined before the next issue of the GAS CAP is published.

**Johnny Bacon & Rose Ferrante**



## *NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM IN MOTION TOUR NORTH EAST OHIO, AUGUST 7-11, 2022*

The National Corvette Museum sponsors tours every year in various parts of the Country and overseas including the 24 Hours of Lemans. These tours are hosted by the NCM but work with local Corvette owners and Corvette Clubs who know the chosen locality well, after all it is in their backyard and that knowledge gives the attendees an insight removed from the typical tourist agenda. This year Dor and I participated in the North East Ohio tour and our home away from home was the Hampton Inn in Stow a town east of Cleveland, Ohio. This tour was a fixed base tour so there was no need to pack and unpack with ample time for leisurely breakfasts before hitting the road each day.

The NCM makes all the arrangements once the format is established with the local volunteers while the local Corvette owners provide the leadership on the road as all 25 Corvettes sallied forth each day. Of course we all had our own navigation systems since it was not always possible to keep all the Corvettes together and arriving at the destination was never a problem – but I can affirm that there are routing differences between various navigation systems. Not a problem as we all had our two-way radios for on the road communication.

The agenda was superb as we visited some well-known sites such as the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum; I guess that is

within walking distance included a tour of the retired bulk materials carrier the 600 foot long William G. Mather that was commissioned in 1924 and was only retired in the mid-1980's. In the attached photograph there is a red line along the hull that designates the waterline when the ship was fully loaded. That red line is some 20 feet lower than the no-load condition seen today as a tourist attraction.

Another destination was the Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens in Akron, OH.



(Stan Hywet Hall home of F.A. Seiberlin, Co-founder of Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company).

A truly beautiful home built between 1912 and 1916 for F.A. Seiberlin who was the co-founder of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company. Stan Hywet actually means 'stone quarry' in, if my memory is correct, the Gallic dialect. This residence is magnificent and for the time boasted 23 bathrooms, central heating, indoor swimming pool, electricity, phone service and believe this, a central vacuuming system. Of course, and for almost everywhere we went we had reserved Corvette parking and guided tours by local historians of the Seiberlin home including the out buildings and gardens – originally on 1,700 acres of ground that included orchards, food and flower gardens,

dairy pastures, and almost everything needed to be self-sufficient.

Another site visited was the MAPS Air Museum in Green, Ohio.



The entrance to the MAPS Air Museum

This Museum is an internationally known air museum and restoration facility with a focus on the aviation history of northeast, Ohio. All I can say is that even with a guided tour there was 'too much to see and too little time'. Of specific interest to me was a complete forward location hospital from the Viet Nam era. A forward facility like this would be your immediate destination after being

wounded and treated by a combat medic. You would then be evacuated to a hospital such as this for determination of injuries, emergency surgery if necessary and then evacuation to a large rear support hospital. This hospital was one Viet Nam era Marine combat medic's collection. As such he had firsthand knowledge and somehow over many years collected everything that would have been in such a facility in the 1960's. Many photographs were displayed including those showing the young Marine during his tour in Nam. There were planes on display going all the way back to WWI, WWII, Korea, and Viet Nam and into the modern era. Additionally, planes from Soviet history were present such as the MIG 15, MIG 17 and more.

There was a hidden gem on our tour and one I bet you never heard of? Even with my heritage in wood working I had never heard of the "The Ernest Warther Museum and Gardens" located in Dover, Ohio. "Mooney" Warther was an absolute genius and is acknowledged as one of the finest woodcarvers in all of history, bar none. He received the name "Mooney" when he went to work as a herder of cows at age five after his father died leaving the widow with five children to support. "Mooney" in the Swiss dialect basically means herder which he did until age fifteen. Then he lied about his age to get a job working in a local steel mill at age fifteen. Mooney had two years of formal education and was a self-taught carver inventing and making all of his wood carving tools with steel making knowledge learned in the mills.



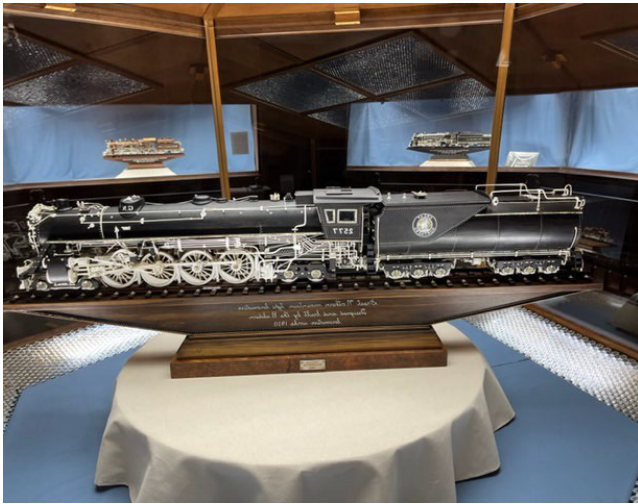


Photo is a hand carved locomotive from the Warther Museum.

He carved a whole series of steam locomotives, his passion, and even trains such as the funeral train for President Lincoln that took Lincoln home to Illinois after his assassination. And when his work was viewed by German craftsmen, they acknowledged Mooney as beyond belief and everything he made was in his head, not one blueprint nor measuring instrument. For a description of Mooney a tour of the Museum and his philosophy on life, go to YouTube and search for: “World’s Master Carver “Mooney” Warther – Part 1: History and Tour”. The video is 28 minutes long and you will be astonished. And he never sold any of his works although offered many thousands of dollars from the likes of Henry Ford, major railroads, and even the Smithsonian Institution. Everything locomotive or train or even a replica of the steel mill Mooney worked in is still in the family, now in the fourth generation and still making commercial knives similar to those Mooney made to support his family before and after working in the mill.



A chain saw carving at the entrance to the Warther Museum carve by a direct descendent of Mooney Warther, the pliers work all done without any fasteners!

I could say so much more, I have not verbalized on other locations visited, and I can say that all of our dinners were hosted by local family- owned establishments with all the detail work done by the expert staff at the NCM, specifically Maci Johnson who made all the arrangements and accompanied us throughout the whole tour. Thanks Maci, you are fantastic! And a big thank you to those from the area that guided us to our destinations each day.

“Chevy Made ‘Em, We Drive ‘Em”, that’s our moto and we put another 1,400 miles on the C-8. And Dor and I added more memories both from the places visited and especially from the great Corvette drivers and passengers on the tour.

**Jack DeLong August 14, 2022**



First photo shows the inside of the Viet Nam era hospital at the MAPS museum, second photo is our C8 at the MAPS museum.





This photo is the bulk ore carrier the William Mather.



This is a picture of our cars lined up at a local restaurant for a great local dinner.

*Do you have a story to tell? We'd love to hear it!!!! Please send us your story and photos to be featured in an upcoming Gas Cap. Copy can be sent to Carole Canazaro at [carole\\_canazaro@merck.com](mailto:carole_canazaro@merck.com)*



## *C5 CLIMATE CONTROL REPAIR ON MY 1998*

### *BY DENNIS TRAYES*

One of the worst things to be wrong with your Corvette is to have the “navigator” uncomfortable while riding in your Corvette. We had that problem with our 1998. The heat was always on, on the passenger side. It was better to keep the windows open when it was 90 degrees instead of trying to block the vents and try to have the air conditioner keep the temperature down. Our car has the dual zone controls and the right-hand control had no effect on the temperature. It turned out to be a common problem with the C5 dual zone air conditioning. When you adjust the temperature, an actuator is there to move a little door inside the heater box. That wasn’t happening.

The problem lies with the actuator going bad, underneath the dash. I had the parts for about a year and figured I needed a week to finish the job. Scheduling was the problem of still needing two cars. The dash and all and the trim around the dash had to come out. It turned out it wasn’t as bad as I thought it was going to be. I had the dash out in a couple of hours. The next day I tackled replacing both actuators which are squeezed in on both sides of the heater box. Even though the driver side worked, it was a good idea to replace both at the same time.

I watched everything on You Tube pertaining to this problem before I started. It really helped, as some of the videos showed the exact location of all the screws that had to be removed to get the dash out. You can see by the pictures, what had to come out of the car. It was harder getting to the screws that hold the actuator in place than it was getting the dash out. I took the actuators apart to see if that was the problem. Look at the large white gear on top. It is cracked. When this happens the gear separates from the metal shaft that moves the door inside the heater. The driver’s side still was functioning even though that gear was cracked too.

It took about 40 minutes to replace both actuators once they were accessible. I’m sure this was assembled out of the car before the car was built. It was difficult getting the screws out, but not impossible. Did you ever hear of a 5.5mm metric screw? Fortunately, I had one when I was working on printers. Once the parts were replaced, I started the car and tested before putting the dash back. Success.

The other thing I learned on You Tube was why the gears cracked. This was because the plastic gear is pushed on to a metal shaft. Most likely the two parts expand at different rates causing the gear to eventually crack. The Dorman Company (Colmar, Pa.) re-engineered the part and made it all one piece of plastic eliminating the problem.

The last thing I wanted to do was replace the radio. I put in a Pioneer double din flat screen and a backup camera. All in all, it only took about a day and a half to complete. Great improvement and addition. And my navigator is happy once again.



1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Pictures console loosened and center stack cover removed

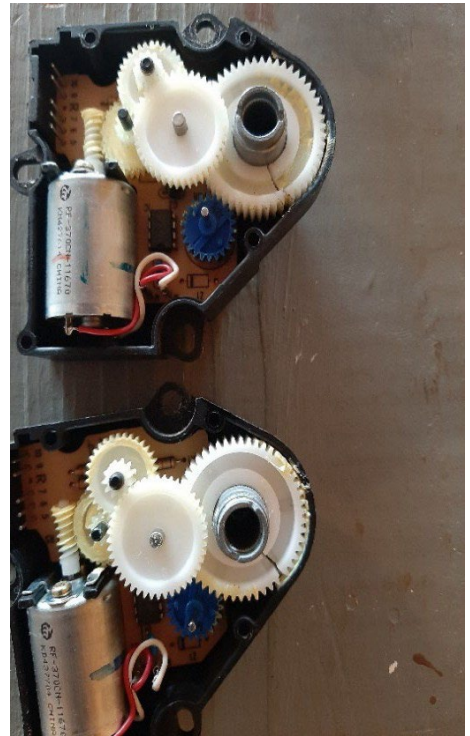


3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Pictures are the dash and bottom covers removed





Pictures are the drivers and passenger side actuators



picture is the broken gears inside



The dash is back together with new radio and center stack cover





# AUGUST'S CRUISE NIGHT

AUGUST 20, 2022

When Candy Merlino, Henry Weikel and I arrived at 4pm to set up the tent and tables, the sun was baking us at 91 degrees on the macadam parking lot. Thankfully, by 6pm, it was quite pleasant. The parking lot was filling up by 5pm as we kicked-off yet another fun-filled CCDV Cruise Night.



Almost 90 beautiful cars (and two trucks) showed up.

Jeff and Chris Biscardi finally brought out their new loaded 2022 C-8 to play, gorgeous in its Red Mist Metallic Tintcoat. We even had a yellow 705Hp Hertz Corvette, a bunch of show-worthy Hot Rods, a '69 Ford Torino convertible, a '68 VW (Thanks to Eileen & Denny Matlack) and many ZO6's.

The CCDV Table was staffed by Candy and Chris Merlino, Rose Ferrante (our Soft-Pretzel Princess), & Penelope Hunt. Thanks to their efforts, CCDV generated \$109 from Pretzel and Soda sales, and \$60 from the 50/50 Drawing.





The Trophies were awarded to: Bob Lundgrin for his modified 2014 Cyber Gray C-7 Coupe, Bill West for his 1930 Teal Blue Ford Model A, and to Don Lemek for his meticulously restored 1966 Blue 396ci Chevelle Convertible. (Don won the large 1<sup>st</sup> prize trophy.)



The 50/50 prize was won by our own Al DePue, who generously turned around, and bought four CECF Raffle Chances at \$20 apiece).

Thank You Al!!

**Johnny Bacon**





## *SEPTEMBER CRUISE NIGHT*

# **Corvette Club of Delaware Valley**

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

**Saturday, September 17th, 2022**

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

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

**5pm**



**dusk**

**Free Hot Dogs for Appreciation Night**

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

# REMINDER! SUBMIT YOUR PHOTO 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.

# *HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS*

Jahn	Landis	4
Chris	Biscardi	4
Carol	Folger	5
Tamara	Rood	5
Pamela	Smith	8
Linda	Clemmer	12
Gregory	Baughner	13
Lorna	Bearn	13
Chris	Merlino	16
Christopher	Boyd	16
John	Crawford	17
Charles	Gemmi	17
Steve	Howard	18
Frank	Kitchen	19
John	Kukora	19
Jim	Loughran	19
Steven	Magaruh	20
Brady	Marlow	23
George	Miller	24
Ron	Picciani	27
George	Seymour	28
Edward M.	Stelacio	28
Russell	Thomas	28
Bob	Weiss	30
Barbara	Weiss	30
Steve	Woodland	30
Wayne	Zaks	30





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## 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

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Joel Fellman	Chairperson	CECF Liaison, Cavalcade, Club Historian
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Jack Blumenstock		Activities
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