



The Gas Cap

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A Monthly Publication of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The fall season has started, and the month of October has had no rain as of this writing. Did the clouds forget to fly over our area? Going into November it will soon be Thanksgiving and then Christmas. Where did the time go the past 6 months? Maybe because the club had so many activities, we didn't pay attention to the calendar.

During the October General Membership meeting the Golden Shaft award was presented to **Joe Parente** for his role in organizing and doing the Tail of the Dragon run. Thank you, Joe, for your effort in taking on this responsibility. The guest speaker was John Freitag who is a Life, Health and Medicare insurance broker. He spoke on the ins and outs of Medicare, and his talk was very informative. If you have any questions on Medicare, he can be contacted at his office: (215) 436-9353.

Every year that I'm President during the November General Membership meeting I honor all veterans both current and past. I ask the members to stand up and I walk around the room and hand the mic to those standing up and ask them to speak about their service unit and where were they deployed. If you still fit in your uniform, please wear it. You can invite any family member as well to the meeting who are veterans. Again, this year I will have Entertainer/Singer **Peter Venneri** come to the meeting and his girlfriend **Carol Vagnoni** a member of our club since 1994. Peter will start the meeting singing the Star-Spangled Banner followed by America the Beautiful and later end the meeting with God Bless America.

The club is again invited to drive veterans in the **Philadelphia Veterans Parade** for the **9th year on Sunday November 10th**. I currently have 10 Corvettes on my list but if you are interested in driving in the parade call me. I will again drive the Grand Marshall which I am honored to do so. The parade will be televised on ABC at 12:30 pm.

The November General Membership will be at the Warminster VFW on the 20th starting at 7:00 pm.

Have a great Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

I wish you and your families the best

Ed

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Joe Parente
received the Golden Shaft Award for his role in
setting up various club activities.



WELCOME NEW CCDV MEMBERS!



Welcome!!

(No new members this month – spread the word)

Diego Carabajal – 2024 Cacti Green*

Barbara Cooper – 1998 Medium Purple Pearl Coupe*

Steve Flack – 2014 Lime Rock Green Convertible*

Dimitry Kipervas - 2018 White Convertible*

Samantha Nalbandian – 2019 Orange Convertible*

Robert Roccamo – 2023 Adrenaline Red HTC

Total Members to date - 293!!

**Joined at Cavalcade! 😊*



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CCDV BOARD MINUTES



HIGHLIGHTS FROM CCDV BOARD MEETING

October 10, 2024

General Membership Meetings start at 7:00pm.

Activities – Activities – Joe P./John B. / Candy M.

Recent past events:

- **Saturday October 5th** – Club Picnic @ Jim & Edie Doan's – great weather, food and lots of fun was had. Cornhole, horseshoes, and tomahawk throwing games were well attended and enjoyed.
- **Sunday October 6th** – Peddler's Village car show was well attended by CCDV as we won the best club participation award with between 10-12 cars in attendance. Candy is working on getting names from John B to put in for the drawing of the \$100 swizzle stick. Jim Pauly won a trophy too.

Upcoming events:

- **Sunday, October 13th** – Tail of the Dragon
- **Saturday November 9th** – Tour of the Battleship NJ – Ed working on details
- **Sunday November 10th** – Philadelphia Veterans Parade
- **Saturday, December 7th** – Holiday Party @ Spring Mill Country Club

Membership – • Total number of members – 293

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Jack DeLong

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CCDV Roving Breakfast

Join Us for BREAKFAST!

Saturday, November 9, 2024

At 9:30 AM

Warminster West Diner

333 West Street Road

Warminster, PA

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Rain or Shine

**RSVP by 2 PM on 11/08/24 to
Johnny (Bacon) Benischek at (215) 208-6620**

OR

Respond on the CCDV Website's Forum

Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon!

CCDV Roving Dinner

Join Us for DINNER!

Saturday, November 16, 2024

At 6:00 PM

Panache Woodfire Grill

602 W. Skippack Pike

Blue Bell, PA 19422

Rain or Shine

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OR

Respond on the CCDV Website's Forum

**A big Thank You and a "Tip O' The Hat" to Jeff & Julie Kauf for
recommending this restaurant!**

Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon!

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



First name	Last name	Date
Edward	Johnson	1
Bill	Ratzke	5
Kevin	Allen	7
Paul	McMullin	12
Jean	Dautel	13
Barry	Hunsicker	14
Maureen	Wurst	14
Helena	Kozak	15
Janice	Baughner	16
Gregory	Durphy	16
William	Burkholder	20
Jim	Neelans	21
Daniel	Supplee	21
Daniel	Wurst	21
Jack	Householder	24
Richard	Wise	26
Steve	Baker	26
Evelyn	Hamilton III	27
Gregory	Baughner	30

CCDV Holiday Party

Reserve your spot now!

2024 CCDV HOLIDAY PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024
6 pm to 10 pm

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Hors D'oeuvres 6 pm - 7 pm
Sit-Down Dinner 7 pm - 8 pm
Rose's & Dor's Trivia Game 8 pm - 8:30 pm
Dancing 8:30 - 10 pm
CASH BAR

We are limited to 70 people, so reserve your spot early!

Payment Due by November 20, 2024

Mail checks payable to CCDV to:

John Benischeck - 15104 Dahlia Drive, Philadelphia, PA 19116

Chicken Marsala - \$35.00

North Atlantic Salmon - \$43.00

Roasted New York Sirloin- \$49.00

Name _____ Entrée Choice _____

Name _____ Entree Choice _____

Payment Amount Enclosed \$ _____

If you have any questions, contact John Benischeck at 215-208-6620. Payments may also be handed in at our monthly membership meetings.



NEWSWORTHY

At the October General membership meeting, John Freitag spoke about how his firm can help folks navigate through the various Medicare Advantage Plans as there are a lot of variations. John works for the Freitag Family Agency an independent broker. They deal with Medigap, Advantage, Health and Life Insurance. John can be reached at (215) 436-9353 or by email at John@freitagfamilyagency.com





NEWSWORTHY

If you are not a member of the NCM, consider joining and supporting the mission of the museum. If you love to travel, plan a visit today! If you have questions, our very own NCM CCDV Club Ambassador, **Jack DeLong** will gladly answer your questions at any of our general membership meetings.

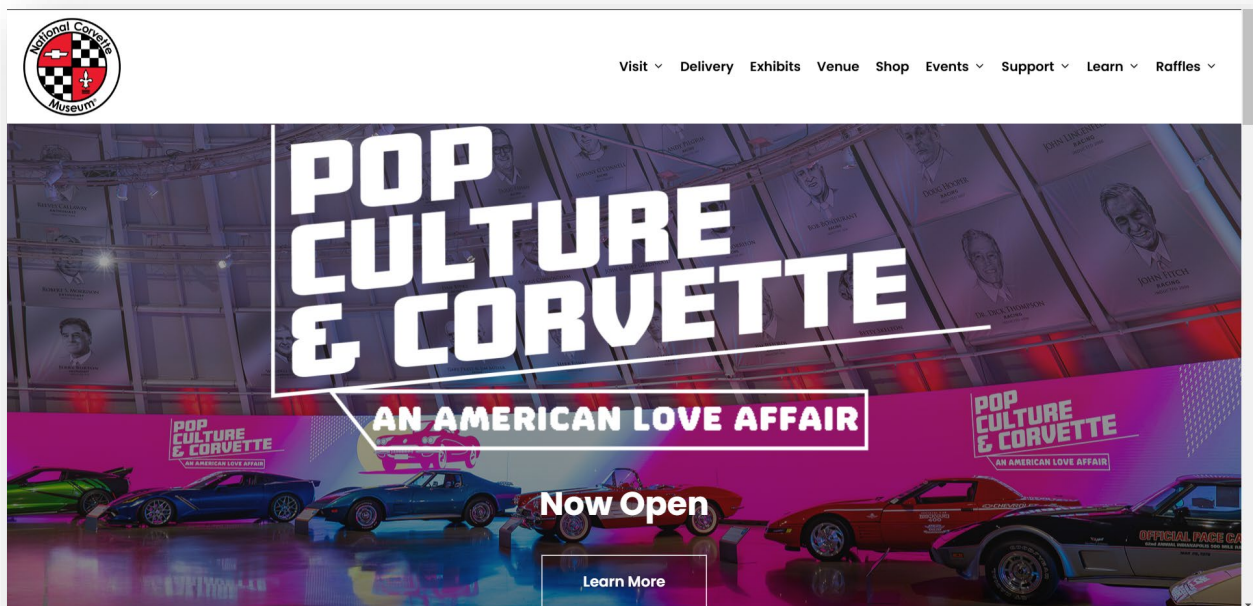
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LOOKING FOR CLUB EVENTS?

**Check out the CCDV Club Calendar on the Club's
website here:**

<https://www.ccdv.com/ccdv-events/>



NEWSWORTHY

Breakfast at Zotos Diner





NEWSWORTHY

Dinner at Giuseppe's Pizza



JOEL'S JOLLIES



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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 255+ 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

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Contact **Candy Merlino** @ either cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com or 215-779-9454 if you have any questions/items to donate.

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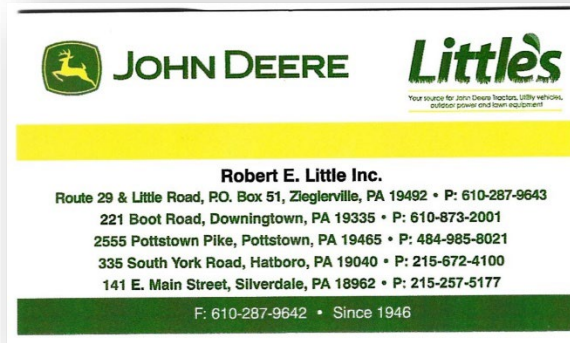
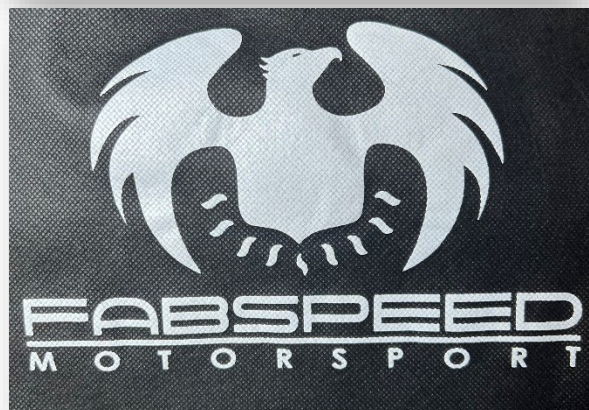
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