

UNAPPROVED

General Membership Monthly Meeting
September 9, 2010 – VFW Dupont, PA

Tina Gittleman, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at the VFW Dupont, Pennsylvania. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti read the minutes from the previous meeting. Ron Gitkos motioned to approve the minutes as read; seconded by Bob Tuffy.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara McCracken distributed the following financial report:

Balance carried forward in the M&T checking account \$xxxx

Income \$xxxx

Balance of Scranton Times FCU \$xxxx

Total Balance \$xxxx

Charity balance \$xxxx

Motion to accept the financial report by Frank Plis; seconded by Gary Lamberton; passed unopposed.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: \$25 VFW; \$100 Greater Pittston Food Bank. Motion to pay the bills made by Ann Marie Burroughs, seconded by Jim Cockerill, passed unopposed.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese – two possible new members were a no-show at the meeting.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro – Joe reported everyone should have received their Blue Bars magazine and he should be attending the next governor's meeting on September 25, 2010.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro indicated that the website has been updated with photos of recent events. Ron Gitkos' car is the featured car of the month.

CORVETTE CORNER: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

August 15, 2010 – Barbara McCracken – Summer Picnic – 30 people and 3 guests attended the event at Pennbrook Grove catered by the Inn of the Abington's. Everyone seemed to have a good time in spite of the rain. Barbara announced she put a hold on August 14, 2011 for next year's picnic unless a volunteer chairperson would like to step forward for next year's summer picnic. In answer to a question regarding expenses related to the picnic, parking was \$70 and the Inn of the Abington's was \$600.

August 22, 2010 – Joe Lazzaro reported on an impromptu Sunday ride that was planned at the Summer Picnic. Former members Mike and Marcella Margeotes hosted a trip to Thomas Edison's home and museum, lunch at a local diner where the owner provided everyone with a complementary dessert, a stop at Essex County's 9-11 memorial; from which the New York City skyline is visible, ending with ice cream and a drive home in a torrential downpour. The weather was a wash out but the day was fun.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 12, 2010 – Sunday – Alan Reese Knoebel's Amusement Park – due to the weather forecast of an all-day rain, the event is cancelled.

September 18, 2010 – Saturday – Luzerne Parade Joe Lazzaro meet at 11:00 a.m. in the Bennett Street Laundromat parking lot. Corvettes will be parked in a designated parking lot following the parade so members may enjoy the street fair and lunch. Flyer is posted on the website.

September 19, 2010 – Sunday – Drags – Joe Lazzaro – This is a joint effort with the Pocono Mt. Club. Event will take place at Seaman's Airport in Factoryville. 2000 or newer Snell approved helmets and working seat belts are required along with closed toe shoes. Registration begins at 11:00 through noon with drags starting at noon through 4:00 p.m. \$25 per driver. A flyer is posted on the website.

October 9, 2010 – Saturday – Kerbeck Chevrolet Atlantic City Expressway Toys for Tots Campaign – Lanny Scott announced everyone should meet at Arby's on 315 near the entrance to the NE Extension of the PA Turnpike at 7:00 a.m. He provided a flyer with requirements for the event. You must register on line at www.kerbeck.com.kerbeck/kerbeck.nsf/ToysForTots. For more information or questions contact Lanny Scott at 824-4490.

October 10, 2010 – Sunday Calendar Meeting – 2:00 p.m. at Tina Gittleman’s house, 360 Green Grove Road, Scott Township. The Club will provide food and soda, BYOB. Please make reservations by 10/8/10 by contacting Tina at 254-6932.

October 15, 16 & 17 – Ocean City MD weekend away – Tina Gittleman - Grand Hotel rooms are \$110 per night + tax. Anyone interested in participating in the Free State Convention activities, please register individually. Some attendees are planning to attend the Friday night dinner event. Saturday at 5:00 p.m. is Free State Corvette Club’s parade on the boardwalk. Sunday boat ride on the Bay Queen will either be a box lunch for \$20 or a buffet for \$30. Hotel reservation deadline is September 15.

October 16, 2010 – Keystone College Parade – Alan Reese – this is a rain or shine event - meet at Keyser Oak Plaza at 9:30 a.m. for the 11:00 a.m. parade step off. The parade route is one mile and a complimentary lunch is provided.

October 17, 2010 - Fall ride – John Davenport or Bob Robinson will chair the event details will be announced.

October 30, 2010 – Halloween Party – Tina Gittleman announced that she decided the party will take place at Genetti Manor’s open house Halloween party. The cost is \$35 per person with cash bar. The Poets are playing. Call 499-4904 ask for Joe for reservations.

November 13, 2010 – Dinner and a Comedy – Sandy Fumanti announced dinner will be arranged at a Scranton restaurant and the group will attend a comedy show at Wise Crackers in the Clarion Hotel in Scranton.

November 21, 2010 – Bingo with the Vets Pat Cockerill said ice cream and cake will be provided along with \$100 for bingo. All expenses will come out of the charity fund.

November 27, 2010 – Member Appreciation Night – Joe Lazzaro – Rinaldi’s Old Forge 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. M & M Productions has been contracted as the DJ. There is no charge to members for this event. Joe is negotiating terms for an open bar and cash bar. A price for guests will be announced when the details are finalized. A \$10 refundable deposit is required when making reservations.

OLD BUSINESS: Anyone interested in ordering Club jackets, see Tina Gittleman. A volunteer is being sought to copy, stuff and mail out the newsletters.

NEW BUSINESS: Because the number did not exceed the number of board seats available, there was no need to run an election. The president announced the following members as candidates: Joe Lazzaro, Carol Reese, Barbara McCracken, Gary Lambertson, Ray Burroughs, Mickie Scubelek, Pat Cockerill, Jim Cockerill, Tina Gittleman, Jay Demerer and Sandy Fumanti. As secretary, Sandy Fumanti cast one vote for the board members and the board was elected for the 2011 year. Parliamentarian, Jim Cockerill noted that currently there are two openings on the board.

Ron Gitkos announced Forty Fort Air Port Day on September 18, 2010 if anyone is interested in attending. Corvette owners are welcome to display their cars. Discounted airplane rides will be available along with food vendors. The event runs from 11 a.m. through 5:00 p.m.

CHARITY: Pat Cockerill announced that Barbara McCracken will be replacing Amy Zaretski who resigned from the committee. She reminded everyone to continue collecting ring tabs to be given to Sandy Fumanti. Toys for Tots are being collected through November so start bringing in the toys. She indicated that all donations will be equally divided between Luzerne and Lackawanna counties. The schedule for 2011 was announced as follows: December, January and February donations will be collected for the homeless or resource centers; the Club will be sponsoring meals at St. Francis in Scranton and St. Vincent DePaul in Wilkes-Barre. March, April and May will be the pet supply drive. June, July and August will be a food drive with \$100 each being donated to a Lackawanna and Luzerne County agency. September, October and November will be dedicated to Toys for Tots. The proposed budget was detailed as follows: \$200 Toys for Tots, \$300 soup kitchens, \$300 veterans for bingo and refreshments and \$200 food banks for a total of \$1,000.

GOOD OF THE CLUB: Sympathies were extended to Joe DiRienzo on the recent loss of his father. Everyone was reminded to be sure to sign waivers at all club events. Jim Cockerill took everyone on a trip down memory lane with stories from his past and how his path crossed with the Club back in the mid 1960’s.

50/50: \$xx collected; Ron Gitkos won \$xx and \$xx directed into the Charity Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Jim Dixon, seconded by Scott Early.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary