

APPROVED
Monthly General Meeting
Thursday, April 14, 2011 – VFW Dupont, PA

Tina Gittleman, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2011 at the VFW in Dupont, Pennsylvania with the pledge of allegiance. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: With two minor spelling corrections, Joe Lazzaro motioned to accept the minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting; seconded by Pat Cockerill.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara McCracken

Balance in the M&T checking account \$xxxx

Income \$xxx

Expenses \$xxx

Balance in the Scranton Times FCU \$xxxx

Total cash on hand \$xxxx

The treasurer announced that the Scranton Times Federal Credit Union is charging a \$10 annual dormant account fee. An account is deemed dormant if there are no transactions during a one-year period. The matter will be discussed at the next board meeting. Bob Tuffy motioned to accept the report, seconded by John Davenport.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: \$25 VFW, \$xx Joe Lazzaro, Governor's Meeting expenses, LADI/Pocono \$xxx (to be reimbursed from Valley Chevrolet for Pocono sponsor), \$xxxx Pocono International Raceway for the upcoming Pocono event. Jon Valentine motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Ron Furman.

DUES REPORT: Barb McCracken received dues from Fran Pantuso. The following members have not submitted their dues payment and have been removed from the Club roster: Al Johnson, Betty Lipfert, Harry Lipfert and Patricia Sample.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese – nothing to report.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro attended the Governor's meeting on March 12, 2011. Joe reported the east region has approximately \$xxxx in their account, the by-laws are being updated, a teen driving school continues to be discussed, and the East Region currently supports the Virginia driving school with a \$500 donation. Joe indicated that he has spoken up against frivolous spending and received support from other Governors. Joe found that the new insurance company, Brown and Brown responds quickly to questions.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro announced that the website is updated regularly and he is still looking for Vette photos for car of the month. Visit the website to view a video of a twin turbo Z06. Chevrolet will celebrate their 100th anniversary in 2012 and will produce a centennial edition of the C6. The exterior is black with optional interiors. See the pictures and details posted on the web site.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine thanked Joe Lazzaro for speaking at the Governor's meetings in an effort to protect the integrity of the East Region treasury on behalf of our Club. Jon also reminded everyone to bring their cars back to action gently when coming out of storage. He told the story of a battery problem that was checked several times before discovering the actual battery problem. Jon warned if you believe something just doesn't feel right; persist in making certain everything is in order.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

March 12, 2011 – Saturday – St. Patrick's Day Parade Scranton. In Tom Maroon's absence, Barbara McCracken reported seeing the Corvettes in the parade on television.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 16, 2011 – Saturday – Wilkes University Car Show. Joe Lazzaro chairperson reported due to the expected inclement weather the show is changed to May 1, 2011 at 12 noon. All the details remain the same but the event conflicts with the first Sunday ride of the season.

April 16, 2011 – Saturday – Club Night. Barb McCracken, chair, called for a show of hands as to how many members made reservations. Due to lack of interest, the Club Night at Genetti's in Dickson City is cancelled.

May 1, 2011 – Sunday – Sunday Ride. Jay and Paula Demerer, chairs – meet at 10:00 a.m. at Marvelous Mugs near Montage Mountain exit 182 A off I-81 for a ride with a lunch stop in a private dining room at the Dimmick Inn the ride is approximately 2 ½ hours through windy country roads. Jay reported a small patch of gravel and no parking lot at the restaurant.

May 21, 2011 – Saturday – Armed Forces Day Parade – Jim Cockerill and Jay Demerer will co-chair the event. The application was sent to the parade committee and Jay will attend any scheduled meetings.

May 21, 2011 – Saturday – Bingo with the Veterans - Pat Cockerill, chair – after the parade, members are planning lunch at Preno's. The group will meet at the Veterans center at 1:45 in the lobby for 2:00 bingo with the Veterans. Cake and ice cream will be served.

May 29 & 30, 2011 – Sunday and Monday – Pocono Events. Joe Lazzaro, Chairman, car show begins at 10:00 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. at Pocono Manor on Sunday. The entry fee is \$30. As in the past, a food tent is planned. Joe reported that the Italian club registration is currently low. Track event is at 60% capacity and the Club is now in a profit situation. There are approximately 34 vehicles registered for the event, spots are still available.

June 11 & 12, 2011 – Saturday and Sunday – Weekend Away – Sandy Fumanti, chair 654-2720 – Gettysburg. This is an overnight trip staying at Americas Best Value Inn (same hotel as the last trip). A block of 10 rooms have been reserved; no first floor rooms are available, the cost of the rooms are approximately \$110 including breakfast. A conference room is available at no charge for late-night gathering. The hotel is working out a plan which would be all inclusive with dinner and excursions. Watch the website for updates. The hotel phone number is toll free (888) 315-2378 or direct (717) 334-1188.

June 18, 2011 – Fairway Chevrolet - Ray Burroughs and Ralph Kauffman co-chair. Meet at K Mart on 309 in South Wilkes-Barre at 10:00 a.m. for the 11 to 3:00 car show. There is no fee attached to this event. A rain date is questionable at this time.

June 26, 2011 – McDade Park – chairperson needed.

July 9, 2011 – Ice Cream Ride – Alan Reese, chair details to be announced as many establishments have not opened for the season.

July 23, 2011 – Club Night – chair needed.

August 14, 2011 – Summer Picnic (PennBrook) Chairperson needed.

August 20, 2011 – Club Night – chair needed.

OLD BUSINESS: Ron Gitkon thanked everyone who attended and supported a night at the races on March 26 to benefit the DePrimo Foundation. Ron reported a very successful event with over 300 participants. Some of the proceeds have already been distributed to Veterans groups and the infant clinic in Pittston with the balance going to community charities.

Barbara is waiting to hear from the accountant regarding the 1099 and suspects the delay is because of tax season.

NEW BUSINESS: Joe Lazzaro announced the Pocono Mountain Corvette Club will be sponsoring two drags at Seaman's airport in Factoryville on May 22 and September 18. Registration is \$25 per vehicle and the event is limited to 30 vehicles. Joe will check into the address for pre-registration.

Joe Lazzaro announced that Membership Appreciation Night will be held at Café Rinaldi and a \$100 deposit is required. Ron Gitkos motioned to provide a \$100 deposit, seconded by Jim Cockerill, passed unopposed.

CHARITY: Pat Cockerill reported that the Club sent \$100 each to the Lackawanna and Luzerne County agencies for domestic violence. Judy and Joe Milewski donated a department store gift card that was also sent to the Lackawanna agency. \$100 will be sent to each of the Luzerne and Lackawanna county animal shelters. If you want to make a donation to the shelters, pet food, used blankets or towels are acceptable items. There are 70 toys being stored for the 2011 Toys for Tots campaign. 100 Teddy Bears are being purchased and ring tabs continue to be collected. A thank you letter was received from the Diocese of Scranton in recognition of the Club's meal sponsorship at the St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre.

GOOD OF THE CLUB: The next board meeting is Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at Bobby O's. The next General Membership meeting is Thursday, May 12, 2011 at the VFW. The board meeting for June is Tuesday, May 31, 2011.

The West Pittston Memorial Day Parade begins at 11:30 – meet in Antonio's parking lot at 11:15.

Joe Lazzaro is checking into scheduling the June General Membership meeting at Mid Town (formerly Damon's near the Avoca airport) the private room is free if attendees purchase dinner.

Ron Gitkos announced that the Vettes for Vets event is planned for June 12, 2011.

50/50: \$xx collected; Paula Demerer won \$xx which she donated to Charity, thank you Paula, and \$xx was directed to the Charity Fund. Bud Vinton won a poster.

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m. on a motion by Barb McCracken, seconded by John Davenport.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Fumanti