

UNAPPROVED
Monthly General Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2011 – VFW Dupont, PA

Joe Lazzaro, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:14 p.m. on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at the VFW in Dupont, Pennsylvania. The Treasurer was absent from the meeting. The pledge of allegiance was recited and the President called for a moment of silence in memory of former member Harry Lipfert.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti, Secretary; Bob Tuffy motioned to accept the October minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting, seconded by Ron Gitkos; passed unopposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Deferred to next month.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: VFW \$25. Frank Plis motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Ron Gitkos; passed unopposed.

DUES REPORT: Joe Lazzaro reported that there are only four members who have not responded to date.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese – nothing new at this time.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro – NCCC dues for 2012 will be submitted on December 3, 2011. Joe intends to attend the December meeting.

CHARITY: Bingo with the Veterans has been cancelled due to the Geno Merle Center overbooking for the holiday season. The Pittston Food Pantry and Seven Loaves have each been given \$100. Toys for Tots continues through the December meeting and ring tabs continue to be collected.

PROPERTY: Joe Lazzaro reported all radios are present and accounted and batteries will be replaced next Spring.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro – updated with recent photos from the fall ride and Keystone College parade. Joe asked for members to submit old pictures with a brief description as he is building an archive section. He will scan and return the documents. Tina Gittleman offered to give Joe all the scrap books that she has from previous years.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine noted if you encounter a noisy fuel pump when you first start your vehicle it may be attributable to a dirty fuel filter. Jon announced that he recently attended a testimonial dinner honoring Oscar Koveleski. He then narrated one of Oscar's claim to fame as a contestant in the 1971 New York to California Cannonball Run. Oscar and his team entered a specially fitted Chevrolet Van (specially fitted with 9 55-gallon drums of fuel) the team place second. The 1976 movie Gumball Rally was patterned after the Cannonball Run.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

October 15, 2011 – Keystone Parade – Alan Reese, 10 Corvettes, 13 members and 5 guests participated in the mile-long parade that concluded with lunch on the campus lawn. Everyone had a good time and the event wrapped up by 2:00 p.m.

October 16, 2011 – Fall Ride – John Davenport, chair, 17 Corvettes, one pick-up truck, 26 members, and 6 guests enjoyed a Sunday ride through Pennsylvania and New York. The group stopped at the Strucca Viaduct, stopped for lunch at the Summit Tea Room and participated in a mini car show to benefit Joseph's Storehouse Across America, and concluded the ride with a stop at the Nicholson Viaduct; kudos to John and Cecilia for a well-planned and appreciated ride.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 12, 2011, Saturday - Dinner and a Comedy – Sandy Fumanti, chair 654-2720. 12 people have requested reservations. Meet at Amadeo's on Birney Ave. in Moosic at 6:00 p.m. followed by a comedy show at Wisecracker's in the Clarion Hotel in Scranton at 9:00 p.m. Comedians scheduled are Brad Lowry and David Beck two we've not seen before along with Scott Bruce; he's the owner and really likes the Corvette Club and typically mentions us in his act.

November 19, 2011 – Member Appreciation Night, Joe Lazzaro chair – Café Rinaldi’s in Old Forge from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m., a DJ is contracted, menu and desserts will be similar to last year, soft drinks are included, alcoholic beverages are available at a cash bar. The event is free to all members with a \$20 refundable deposit, guests are \$25 each. Member gifts will be presented at the dinner and then only at the December, January, and February general meetings for members who do not attend the event.

November 20, 2011 – Bingo with the Veterans cancelled due to overbooking for the holiday season.

OLD BUSINESS: Desk calendar refills will be distributed at the December meeting. Plastic holders will be available to new members. Pocket calendars are being printed and will be available at the December meeting. Member appreciation gifts will be available at the December, January and February meetings; the 6 meeting or event qualifications apply.

NEW BUSINESS: Joe Lazzaro asked for a volunteer to process the newsletters. All the events for the upcoming year were announced and Chairpersons are needed in some instances – anyone interested in chairing an event, please see Joe for details. Bids for the 2012 Summer Party and Member Appreciation Night are open; please feel free to submit recommendations through January 12, 2012.

Seats are available for the bus trip to Atlantic City for the annual Auto Show on February 25, 2012 – call Bert Occulto if you are interested in making reservations. The trip is \$39 per person and leaves from Wegman’s parking lot in Dickson City at 6:30 a.m.

Wheels for a 1987 Corvette are available see Tom Maroon to make an offer.

VFW \$10 social memberships are due for renewal; please pay the bartender.

GOOD OF THE CLUB: The December board meeting is Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at the Midtown Bar & Grill in Avoca and the next General Membership Meeting is Thursday, December 8, 2011 at the VFW at 8:00 p.m.

Club merchandise available for sale: Hats \$12; chairs \$20; coolers \$15; coasters \$2.50 each or 6 for \$10.

50/50: \$xx collected; Judy Milewski won \$xx and \$xx was directed to the charity fund. Frank Plis won a poster.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m. on a motion by John Reese; seconded by Tina Gittleman.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary