

APPROVED

May 2012 Monthly General Membership Meeting  
Thursday, May 10, 2012 – Alfredo's Café South Side Shopping Center, Scranton, PA

Joe Lazzaro, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:21p.m. on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at Alfredo's Café, South Side Shopping Center, 1040 South Washington Ave.; Scranton, Pennsylvania. The pledge of allegiance was recited. All officers were present.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Sandy Fumanti – Joe DiRienzo motioned to accept the April minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting, seconded by Frank Plis passed unopposed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Barb McCracken

Beginning Balance: \$xxx

Income: \$xx

Expenses: \$xx

M&T: \$xxx

Scranton Times Federal CU: \$xxx

Balance all accounts: \$xxxx

Bob Tuffy motioned to accept the treasurer's report; seconded by Tina Gittleman; passed unopposed.

**BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB:** NONE

**DUES REPORT:** Reporting suspended until August 2012.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Alan Reese introduced new members, Dave and Lisa Joyce.

**GOVERNOR'S REPORT:** Joe Lazzaro - the next meeting is May 19, 2012 which is a joint awards banquet and 2<sup>nd</sup> annual car show. If anyone is interested in attending the meeting as they are open to members, please contact Joe Lazzaro.

**CHARITY:** In Pat Cockerill's absence, Barb McCracken announced that ring tabs continue to be collected. Jim Cockerill announced that the bingo with the Veterans following the Armed Forces Day paraded has been cancelled as an event since the all purpose room at the Gino Merle Center is being renovated and the time we selected interferes with clean up and set up. The \$100 donation will still be used for bingo with the Veterans but without our participation.

**PROPERTY:** Joe Lazzaro – announced Jay Demerer used the radios for his Sunday Ride and the equipment will be returned.

**WEB SITE:** Joe Lazzaro – Updated with Carol Reese's car featured as car of the month. Joe announced he published the pricing and color list for the 2013 Corvette, last model year for the C6.

**CORVETTE CORNER:** Bert Occulto recounted a story as reported on Good Morning America of a parking facility that houses vehicles while the owners are traveling on a cruise. The news media planted a Corvette equipped with a GPS on the lot. The owner of the parking establishment was recorded driving the Corvette all over the city including taking it home overnight. When confronted by the reporter with video, the owner played dumb. Charges against him are pending. Word to the wise; be careful who you trust with your vehicle.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

April 21, 2012 – Dinner and a Surprise – Sandy Fumanti 15 members met for dinner at Leggio's in Plains at 6:00 p.m. expecting a surprise following dinner. Sandy Fumanti didn't show up, surprise! She had out of town guests due to a death in the family. It was reported at the board meeting that after dinner a few folks enjoyed ice cream at Dairy Queen. It's nice to know an event can carry on even without the chairperson. Sandy thanked Joe Lazzaro for his support.

April 22, 2012 – Wilkes University Car Show – rained out moved to April 29, 2012 – since no one at the meeting had participated, Joe Lazzaro reported the person from Wilkes called to let Joe know the event was well attended even without the Dyno.

April 29, 2012 – Rallye – Jim Cockerill reported that 3 Corvettes and 1 motorcycle ran the poker rallye. The event raised \$140 for charity, which included donations made by the members who showed up at the finish line, Midtown Bar and Grill in Avoca. Jim announced that Quaker Steak and Lube donated the two top prizes of \$50 gift certificates that were won by Pat Cockerill for high hand and Joe & Dawn Lazzaro for low hand. The participants reported a fun day filled with laughter and camaraderie. Did someone get lost again, must have been wrong-way-Joe.

May 6, 2012 – Sunday Ride – Jay & Paula Demerer reported 8 cars, 15 members and 1 guest enjoyed a 90-mile ride into New York crossing the Delaware river, back to Pennsylvania, crossing the Delaware river again and stopping at the Candlelight Inn Uniondale for dinner. Jay was pleased to announce that there was no charge for the river crossings.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

May 19, 2012 – Saturday - Armed Forces Parade – Jay Demerer announced that line up is at Vine and Mifflin Avenue at 10:00 a.m. for an 11:00 a.m. step-off. The parade route is just one mile. Unfortunately bingo with the Vets is not taking place this year due to renovations at the center.

May 19, 2012 Bingo with the Vets Canceled due to renovations. The Vets will still enjoy the benefit of the Club sponsored bingo just without our personal participation. Watch for bingo with the Vets in November.

Monday, May 28, 2012 – Pocono Driving Event – Joe Lazzaro – Joe and Alan Reese met in Allentown with the Ferrari, Pantera and Viper Clubs to finalize the event. While the applications for the Corvette Club are at normal numbers the other clubs are hoping for more registrations. Members are welcome as spectators, at no fee, enter through the tunnel, sign the waver, and report to the garages.

Monday, May 28, 2012 – Annual Memorial Day Parade West Pittston – Ron Gitkos if not attending Pocono Driving Event meet in the Antonio's parking lot between 11 and 11:15. The parade starts at 11:30 with military and civic groups. An F18 fly-over is planned.

June 10, 2012 – Vettes for Vets – Ron Gitkos Valero filling station on Wyoming Ave West Pittston \$10 registration includes food, beverages, a fly-over, and DJ. Raffle drawings are expected. All proceeds are disbursed among local VFW posts.

June 16, 2012 – Fairway Chevrolet Car Show – Ray Burroughs chairman. In Ray's absence Joe Lazzaro announced the meeting location is K-Mart on 309 near Blackman Street. There is no admission charge for the event and typically participants receive a welcome bag. Watch the website for details.

June 24, 2012 – Sunday Ride – Bud & Sue Vinton – Meet at 11:00 a.m. in K Mart parking lot near Blackman Street in Wilkes-Barre for a trip to Bill's Old Motorcycle Barn and Memorabilia. \$6 per person admission allows roaming freely through the establishment.

June 24, 2012 – Weekend Away – canceled at this time. If anyone would like to chair a week-end away, see an officer or board member to express your interest.

July 1, 2012 AND September 16, 2012 – Drags – Joe Lazzaro joint venture with the Pocono Mountain Corvette Club at Seman's Airport in Factoryville. \$25 registration opens at 11, followed by driver meeting at 12 noon, followed by first heat. Event allows for many runs throughout the day.

July 7, 2012 – Saturday – Ice Cream Ride – Alan Reese peaked interest by stating he's researching two new establishments for this event. Details will be announced as they develop.

July 15, 2012 – Sunday – McDade Park Picnic – Joe Lazzaro, Chair. Meet at the park at noon. Bring a lunch for yourself with snacks to share with all.

July 25, 2012 – Wednesday - Kid's Day at Watkins Glen, New York – Alan Reese, Chair. \$60 registration fee includes track time before the children arrive, several laps with the children, lunch and track time following the children's event. Time and meeting place will be announced.

Chairpersons are needed for the Halloween event and September week end away; see Joe for details.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Joe is still looking for eating establishments to host the general meetings during the summer, July, August and September are open. If you have a place in mind, see Joe with details.

**NEW BUSINESS:** If you are chairing an event, a flyer would be appreciated. The flyer would be posted on the website along with being mailed with the newsletters.

One member expressed her sheer disgust of the poor showing at the April 29<sup>th</sup> poker rally. Considering the event was a charity function and members have no problem supporting events that are not Club related, she said she is embarrassed by the poor showing and suggested perhaps members are just lazy. Many hours are dedicated to planning, soliciting prizes, coordinating establishments, and putting the event together it's no wonder chairpersons are hard to find. It is shameful.

Jim Cckerill reminded the members that regular street cars are welcome at events in case your Vette is out of commission for some reason or other.

**GOOD OF THE CLUB:**

The next board meeting is Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at the Midtown Bar & Grill; 6:00 for dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting. Joe Lazzaro reminded everyone that any member may attend a board meeting as an observer.

The next general membership meeting is Thursday, June 14, 2012 at the Midtown Bar & Grill; 6:00 for diner followed by meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Club merchandise available for sale: Hats \$12; chairs \$20; coolers \$15; coasters \$2.50 each or 6 for \$10; blankets \$20 and patches \$2. Pictures of merchandise are posted on the website.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m. on a motion by Barb McCracken, seconded by Carol Reese.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary