

APPROVED

October 2013 Monthly General Membership Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2013 – Perkins Family Restaurant, Pittston Township, PA

Joe Lazzaro President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the October 2013 General Membership meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. on October 10, 2013 at Perkins Family Restaurant, Pittston Township, Pennsylvania. The pledge of allegiance was recited. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti – Lanny Scott motioned to accept the September minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting, seconded by Bert Occulto; passed unopposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara McCracken

Beginning Balance: \$xxx

Income: \$xxx

Expenses: \$xxx

M&T: \$xxx

Scranton Times Federal CU: \$xxx

Balance all accounts: \$XXX

Pat Cockerill motioned to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Ray Borroughs; passed unopposed.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: \$68.48 to Tina Gittleman for Toys for Tots; \$176.93 to Pat Cockerill for Toys for Tots; \$79.45 to Carol Reese for Calendar meeting expenses; \$205.33 to Joe Lazzaro for Calendar meeting and voting ballot expenses. Bob Robinson motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Jon Valentine, passed unopposed.

DUES REPORT: Barbara McCracken announced \$xxx in dues payments has been received. The deadline is October 31, 2013.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese announced the following individuals have submitted applications for Club membership: Bill Zeigler owner of a 2010 ZR1 and Irene Zeigler, spouse member; Sue Nardone, spouse member; and Gertrude Gager, spouse member. The general membership voted unanimously to allow all applicants membership. A welcome was extended to the new members.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Joe Lazzaro appointed Jim Cockerill, parliamentarian, the task of distributing, collecting and counting the ballots for the following offices: President, candidate Joe Lazzaro (running unopposed); Vice President, candidates Tina Gittleman and George Rittenhouse; Treasurer, candidate Carol Reese (running unopposed) and Secretary, candidate Sandy Fumanti (running unopposed). Dawn Lazzaro, Mary Alice Scott and Sue Vinton assisted.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro reported he did not attend the September 28, 2013 meeting and is waiting to receive the minutes.

CHARITY: Pat Cockerill asked for volunteers to help out with the Bingo at the Wilkes-Barre Veterans Hospital on November 9, 2013. Toys for Tots and ring tabs continue to be collected and the drive for cold weather items for the homeless will conclude at the December 12, 2013 meeting.

PROPERTY: Joe Lazzaro – the Club radios were used to the recent weekend away and two units are outstanding. Joe announced that the batteries will be removed from the radios for winter storage and will be replaced in the spring.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro announced the website was down for a day during a server change. Pictures from the car show are posted. Watch for photos from the weekend away trip. Joe also reminded everyone that pictures for the member's page are welcome.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine cautioned buyers to beware that China is invading the market with products of a lesser grade that are packaged in containers resembling authentic parts. While the differences are minor, there is a difference; know what you are purchasing, be a savvy buyer. He also reported that Car and Driver compared the Corvette with the more expensive Porsche resulting in the Corvette coming out ahead as the car is easy and safe to drive along with being a better value for the price: Corvette \$58,000 versus Porsche \$128,000. Joe Lazzaro mentioned that Valley Chevrolet may have a red C-7 on the lot; he'll be checking that out on Friday. Jim Cockerill announced he recently saw the movie "Rush" based on the life of Nicky Lauda, James Hunt and Formula One racing. The story is historically true and inspiring; an excellent adaptation that Jim highly recommends.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: September 15, 2013 – Montage Mountain Car Show – Scott Walter, Chair Joe Lazzaro reporting. There were 76 cars at the show with \$1,110 in revenue less expenses for a profit of \$937.30. All the proceeds from the event were directed to the charity fund as voted by the board at the last board meeting. There was a nice turnout of volunteers to help with the event and Joe thanked everyone for their support.

September 22, 2013 – Sunday – Brunch Wildflowers, East Mountain Inn – Joe Lazzaro 17 members and 6 Club cars met for an outstanding meal. As usual there was just as much talking and laughing as eating, except for Mary Ann O'Hara who polished off all the coconut shrimp.

September 22, 2013 Drags Semian's Airport – Joe Lazzaro believes there were 37 cars that participated in the event, but to his knowledge no Club members. The weather was nice and watch the website for the spring event.

September 28, 2013 – Saturday – Calendar Meeting – Alan & Carol Reese, chair 18 members and 6 Club cars converged on the Reese compound to plan the calendar of events for 2014. There was plenty of food and desserts, including banana splits, and a lucrative calendar was developed. Expenses for the event totaled \$205.33. Thank you Carol and Alan for hosting the event.

October 4, 5, & 6, 2013 – Weekend Away – Lanny Scott, chair – 18 members and 9 Club cars traveled to Wildwood Crest to the Water's Edge hotel where the guests enjoyed reserved, covered parking. The weather was perfect all weekend including the whale watching excursion that proved there are dolphins in the Atlantic. Lanny recounted a nice story of a group of young people who gathered to see the impressive Corvettes but when a few drivers opened the throttle, they soon discovered a local police car two streets away so the show was cut short.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 19, 2013 – Saturday – Keystone Parade – Alan Reese, chair meet at 9:30 a.m. at Keyser Oak Plaza to caravan to Lackawanna Trail Elementary School for staging. The one-mile parade ends at the campus green with a lunch provided by the university.

October 26, 2013 – Saturday – Haunted Farm House Halloween Party – Tina Gittleman, chair the event begins at 6:30 p.m. costumes are encouraged. Food, games, and prizes are on the agenda. Remember to bring your flashlight, Corvette chair and Corvette blanket. This is a BYOB event. Make reservations with Tina by October 23 cost is \$5.00 for members \$10 guests.

November 9, 2013 – Saturday Afternoon - Bingo with the Veterans – Pat Cockerill, chair; volunteers are needed, please contact Pat to let her know if you will be participating.

November 9, 2013 – Saturday Evening - Dinner & Comedy – Sandy Fumanti, chair. Reservations have been secured for 20 at Wisecrackers in the Clarion hotel and dinner reservations will be made at Sacco's (directly across the street). The restaurant is a BYOB. Please make reservations with Sandy.

November 23, 2013 – Saturday – Member Appreciation Night – Joe Lazzaro, chair Vanderlyn's Kingston, PA The back room is reserved for dinner and DJ will provide music. Member cost is \$30 refundable at the party and \$35 for guests. See Joe for reservations.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- There are three events on the 2014 calendar that need a chairperson: January 18; March 29 and April 26. Don't be shy, volunteer to chair or recommend an event.
- Jay Demerer agreed to chair the May Sunday Ride.
- Bud Vinton agreed to chair the June Sunday Ride.
- The votes were tallied and results were announced: President: Joe Lazzaro Treasurer: Carol Reese Secretary: Sandy Fumanti Vice President: George Rittenhouse

GOOD OF THE CLUB:

- Jay Demerer was thanked for his years of service as a member of the board and Vice President.
- Barbara McCracken was thanked for her years of service as Treasurer.
- November Board Meeting will be Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at Perkins Family Restaurant in Pittston Township, 6:00 p.m. for dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting.
- November General Membership meeting will Thursday, November 14, 2013 at Perkins Family Restaurant in Pittston Township, 6:00 p.m. for dinner, 8:00 p.m. meeting.
- The December General Membership meeting may be at the VFW
- Club merchandise available for sale: Hats \$12; chairs \$20; coolers \$15; coasters \$2.50 each or 6 for \$10; blankets \$20 and patches \$2.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m. on a motion made by Barbara McCracken, seconded by Bert Occulto.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy
Fumanti, Secretary