Regular Monthly Meeting July 9, 2009 – VFW Dupont

Tina Gittleman, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:14 p.m. on Thursday, July 9, 2009 at the VFW Dupont, Pennsylvania. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes from the previous general meeting were read. Jon Valentine motioned to accept as an accurate account; seconded by Pat Cockerill.

TREASURER'S REPORT Barbara McCracken – a report of funds was distributed for review.

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

Income \$xxx

Expenses \$xxx

Balance of Scranton Times FCU \$xxxxx

Total Balance \$xxxxx

Approved by Gary Lamberton, seconded by Jim Cockerill.

Bills against the Club: \$25 VFW motioned to pay by Ray Burroughs, seconded by John Davenport.

DUES REPORT: The treasurer announced that dues notices will be sent out at the end of August. The dues remain unchanged \$65 for primary member \$32.50 spousal member. NCCC dues are paid if members attend 6 meetings and/or events. Please feel free to pay your dues at the next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese announced he received an e-mail from Art Fulkerson expressing interest in the Club; an introductory letter was sent out on July 9, 2009.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro reported that the Giant's Despair Hill Climb competition is scheduled for July 11 and 12, 2009.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro announced that the website was updated on Monday and asked members to visit to view pictures from the Finger Lakes week-end away, the St. Joseph's Center check presentation. He noted that a charity section has been added.

CHARITY REPORT: Amy Zaretsky announced that the \$1,000 donation to the St. Joseph's Fund was presented on Saturday, June 27, 2009. She was disappointed in the small turnout but noted that the center was very appreciative of the donation. Sandy Fumanti reported that ring tabs continue to be collected and reminded everyone that Toy's for Tots donations may be brought in at any time and encouraged the membership to get involved.

EVENTS: Tina Gittleman reported 20 people joined in the fun on June 13 and 14 at the Finger Lakes weekend-away in Bath, NY. 18 people enjoyed the dinner cruise followed by the moonlight cruise. The members reported if you didn't go, you missed a good time!

Ray Burroughs brought the Club a second place trophy from the Fairway Chevrolet Car Show that took place on June 20, 2009. Due to the rainy weather only 30 cars participated in the show. Ray took the best in show trophy – way to go Ray!

Tina Gittleman announced that 10 cars participated in the June 28, 2009 Cruise at Quaker Steak and Lube. She's waiting for Quaker Steak and Lube to send the donation for the Club's Charity Fund.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine entertained the members with a story from 1979 involving a 1967 435 / 427 Corvette. The moral of the story, having a pleasant attitude and being friendly goes a long way.

He also advised everyone to be cautious when repairing flex pieces in exhaust systems; it never hurts to get a second opinion.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

<u>July 11, 2009</u> – Ice Cream Ride (Alan Reese) meet at Fox Ridge Plaza at 6:00 p.m. for a ride to Cruisers Corners in Nescopeck. The parking area is totally paved and the establishment offers a variety of ice cream treats and food items.

<u>July 15 (Wednesday)</u> – Watkins Glen – please see Alan Reese for details if you are interested in participating. The event gives the children from Good Days and Special Times Camp, an organization dedicated to terminally ill children, the opportunity to ride in a sports car on a racetrack. The cost of \$60 includes alone track time, track time with the children, and lunch.

<u>July 19, 2009</u> (Joe Lazzaro 654-8719) Delaware River Raft Ride \$35 per person all inclusive: raft ride, buffet and gratuity. Payment must be made in advance.

<u>July 25, 2009</u> (Sandy Fumanti 654-2720) Dinner & a Movie night. Meet at Scultz's (formerly Bella Vino) on Route 315 Pittston at 6:00 p.m. for dinner; family style (all you care to eat) one entre \$14.99 or two entres \$17.99. Movie at Cinemark in Moosic.

<u>August 15, 2009</u> (Barbara McCracken) Summer Picnic Penn Brook Grove catering by the Inn of the Abington's. \$10 refundable deposit for members, \$15 guests. Picnic begins at noon with a hot lunch followed by a cold buffet at 4:00 p.m. Games to be announced.

August 28, 29, 30, 2009 – Corvettes at Carlisle not a Club event.

September 13, 2009 (Ray Burroughs) Sunday Ride details pending.

<u>September 30, 2009</u> (Bryan McCracken) Car Cruise at Quaker Steak and Lube to benefit Toys for Tots. A motion was made by Barbara McCracken to purchase a \$50 gift certificate to Quaker Steak and Lube as a prize; seconded by Pat Cockerill pass unopposed. Any participant bringing a toy donation for the Toys for Tots campaign will have a chance at winning the restaurant gift certificate. It was further discussed to approach Quaker Steak and Lube soliciting them for a matching \$50 gift certificate.

September 26, 2009 (Joe Lazzaro) Luzerne Parade – details to be announced at a later date.

October 2, 3, & 4, 2009 (Tina Gittleman) Ocean City, Maryland weekend away with dinner cruise. Full details to be revealed as they develop.

October 11, 2009 - Calendar Meeting

October 17, 2009 – Keystone Parade

October 18, 2009 – (John Davenport) Fall Ride.

OLD BUSINESS: Joe Lazzaro received and read a thank you note from Pocono Manor for the recent Pocono Weekend events.

NEW BUSINESS: The president announced that anyone interested in running for the board of directors should approach an officer or board member on or before August 13, 2009. Everyone was encouraged to consider serving the Club at this level.

GOOD OF THE CLUB: The next board meeting will be held at Bobby O's on <u>August 4, 2009</u> at 7:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m. for dinner).

The August 13, 2009 general meeting will be held at Quaker Steak & Lube in Scranton.

CLUB MERCHANDISE: (Carol Reese) – hats, 1 XL shirt, patches are available at the meetings.

50/50: \$65 0 - Dan Stroka \$32 donated to Toys for Tots

The meeting adjourned with a motion by Pat Cockerill and seconded by Amy Zaretsky.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Fumanti, Secretary.