## UNAPPROVED

## General Membership Monthly Meeting Thursday, December 8, 2010 – VFW Dupont, PA

Tina Gittleman, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. on Thursday, December 8, 2010 at the VFW Dupont, Pennsylvania. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers were present.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**: Bob Tuffy made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; seconded by Jon Valentine.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tina Gittleman made the following report

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

Income \$xx

Expenses \$xx

Balance in the Scranton Times FCU \$xxx

Charity Fund balance \$xxx

Total cash on hand \$xxxx

Joe DiRenzo motioned to accept the report, seconded by Ron Gitkos.

**BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB**: \$25 VFW, \$44 Tina Gittleman for postage. Pat Cockerill motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Ron Furman.

**DUES REPORT**: \$xxxx collected; 8 not paid.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**: Alan Reese announced that John Metz, owner of 5 Corvettes rejoined; membership voted unanimously.

**GOVERNOR'S REPORT**: Joe Lazzaro reported that the Blue Bars magazine is the convention issue. The magazine is in the process of being reformatted. FCOA, Future Corvette Owners of America, \$10 lifetime fee until age 16. The new secretary is from the Pocono Mountain Corvette Club and GBerg was the top club for sanctions. Teen driving school continues to be discussed at the meetings.

**WEB SITE**: Joe Lazzaro reported that the website was updated recently with pictures from Membership Appreciation Night and charity news.

**CORVETTE CORNER**: Jon Valentine advised members that mice are persistent in finding cozy winter homes in Corvettes and suggested using moth balls as a deterrent. He further recommended keeping the gas tank 3/4 filled and inflate the tire pressure for winter storage. He reminded everyone to be mindful in Spring to take it slow allowing all the systems to come up to normal before stomping on the gas pedal.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Dinner and a Comedy – Carol Reese reported for Sandy Fumanti, who was unable to participate, that 10 people enjoyed dinner at Amadeo's followed by a side-splitting comedy show at Wisecrackers in the Clarion Hotel Scranton.

Bingo with the Vets – Pat Cockerill reported that after lunch 8 club members shared an enjoyable afternoon with the veterans at the Geno Merli Center playing bingo and eating holiday cake and ice cream. Does Rosie know Ron was proposed to at this event? Mark your calendars for the next bingo event with the veterans on May 21, 2011; wedding rings optional.

Member Appreciation Night – Joe Lazzaro reported 25 members and 5 guests enjoyed a karaoke-filled evening at Café Rinaldi's. The room proved more than adequate to accommodate the group, the food was tasty and served hot. Except for Paula, our own CCNEPA's Got Talent winner, nobody should be quitting their day jobs. The members attending received coolers as appreciation gifts along with the new 2011 Corvette Club stand-up desk calendar. The general consensus...great night.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<u>January 15, 2011</u> – Saturday, St. Francis' Kitchen Scranton – Pat Cockerill 587-4101 - The club is sponsoring and helping to prepare a hot meal for the homeless from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at 500 Penn Ave.

<u>February 19, 2011</u> – Saturday Atlantic City Bus Trip to Car Show – Bert Occulto 378-3014 - leaving from Wegman's parking lot Route 6, Dickson City at 6:30 a.m. cost is \$37 per person. Bob Polacek announced that advance car show tickets are \$15 and must be reserved and paid for by the January meeting.

<u>February 26, 2011</u> – Saturday Dinner and Comedy – Sandy Fumanti 654-2720 – Details will be announced as they develop.

March 12, 2011 – Saturday - St. Patrick's Day Parade – Scranton

April 15, 2011 - Saturday - Club Night

**OLD BUSINESS**: A volunteer is still being sought to copy, stuff and mail out the newsletters. Jim Cockerill continues to encourage the Club to get a professional judgment to determine if filing tax returns are necessary.

**NEW BUSINESS**: Joe Lazzaro announced that the club van has been liquidated at a profit of \$xx. All contents are at Joe's home.

**CHARITY**: Pat Cockerill read a thank you note received from the Greater Pittston Food Pantry and reported that the Toys for Tots campaign collected 70 gifts and is setting a goal of 71 gifts for the 2011 campaign. Ring tabs are being collected to add to the over 50 pounds on hand. Meet at 8:00 a.m. on January 15, 2011 to help prepare and serve a meal at the St. Francis Soup Kitchen, 400 Penn Ave. in Scranton. Four to eight volunteers are needed. A flyer was distributed with items needed by the Women's Resource Center.

**GOOD OF THE CLUB**: Bids for the November 19, 2011 Membership Appreciation Night will be accepted through the February meeting.

Joe Lazzaro announced that CCNEPA showed a \$xxxx profit from the 2010 Pocono but other car clubs lost money on the event. CCNEPA has the Pocono Raceway contracted for Memorial weekend for the Pocono Driving Event; participation of other car clubs is pending. Joe announced the weekend will include the Sunday car show and Monday driving event. There are no events scheduled for Saturday and Tuesday at this time.

50/50: \$xx collected; Barbara McCracken won \$xx and \$xx was directed into the Charity Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. on a motion by Jon Valentine, seconded by Bob Robinson.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Fumanti