

APPROVED
General Membership Monthly Meeting
May 13, 2010 – VFW Dupont, PA

Tina Gittleman, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at the VFW Dupont, Pennsylvania. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti read the minutes from the previous general meeting. Changing Bills Against the Club to read "Tina Gittleman submitted a \$151.88 bill from State Farm for van insurance" rather than "\$151.88 to Tina Gittleman for State Farm Insurance for the van" and a spelling correction, Bob Robinson motioned to accept the minutes as an accurate account of the meeting; seconded by Bob Tuffy.

Jon Valentine complimented the secretary on the reading of the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara McCracken distributed the following financial report:

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

Income \$xxxxx

Expenses \$xxxxx

Balance of Scranton Times FCU \$xxxx

Total Balance \$xxxxx

Motion to accept the financial report by Ron Gitkos; seconded by Amy Zaretski.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: \$25 to the Dupont VFW, Barbara McCracken submitted a bill for \$70 for the Post Office Box annual rental fee and \$44 for a roll of postage stamps. Motion to pay the bills made by Gary Lamberton; seconded by Jon Valentine.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Allan Reese – introduced new members Lanny and Mary Alice Scott.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro – The next Governor's meeting is May 22 but Joe doubts he will attend because of the Pocono Event. The meeting will be combined with an awards banquet and concourse. NCCC rules can be found on their user-friendly website.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro indicated that the website has been updated with pictures of the recent Sunday ride and May Day Party.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine spoke of a situation he encountered with an Infinity Q45. The client had been given a \$1,000 estimate for repairs that were actually completed for \$50. Jon suggested getting a second or even third opinion before contracting for expensive services.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

April 25, 2010 – Sunday Ride – Ron Furman reported 4 cars participated in the rainy ride and everyone enjoyed the culinary choice.

April 27, 2010 Saturday Wilkes University Car Show – Joe Lazzaro reported 6 members participated and the afternoon was enjoyable. The club was invited to participate at next year's event.

May 1, 2010 – Saturday – May Day Party Joe Lazzaro reported the Reese's hosted an evening of dining, games, prizes and fun on an evening perfectly suited for outdoor activities. Are there really still unaccounted eggs?

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 15, 2010 – Saturday – Armed Forces Day Parade Bryan McCracken and Amy Zaretski. Meet in Redner's parking lot in Scranton at 9:15 a.m. to help decorate the float. Caravan leaves at 9:45 for Corvette staging area. Parade begins at 11:00 a.m. Candy may be tossed from vehicles but the individual member is responsible for purchasing.

May 15, 2010 – Saturday – Bingo with the Veterans at the Gino Merli Center Amy Zaretski. Following the parade, Corvettes will be parked in the Gino Merli Center for the residents to enjoy while the Club members have lunch at the Banshee Irish Pub & Restaurant, located a short walk from the Veteran's Center. The group will re-assemble in the Center's lobby at 1:30 p.m. for bingo with the Vets at 1:45 p.m.

May 23, 24 and 25, 2010 – Joe Lazzaro announced the site for the Sunday Concourse is near the usual site, just left of the trees. Registration is \$30 per car, opens at 9:45 through 11:30 a.m. with trophies being awarded around 1:00 p.m. Due to the date change all events are slightly scaled down and since the driving school is not at capacity, Club members will be allowed to enroll at the early registration fee. Club members are welcome as spectators and should proceed through the tunnel entrance. The event is private and not open to the public. Joe expects the event to break even or turn a small profit.

May 31, 2010 Memorial Day Parade – Ron Gitkos – Meet at 11:00 a.m. in Antonio’s parking lot on the corner of Wyoming & Luzerne Avenues. Parade step off is 11:30 a.m. Military vehicles, youth groups, local marching bands, fire and police equipment are expected to participate. The committee is promoting a somber theme keeping with the Memorial Day tradition. The parade is 1 ½ miles long ending at St. Cecelia’s parking lot for a brief program with Judge Burke as the keynote speaker.

June 6, 2010 – Sunday Ride – Jay Demerer – meet at Fox Ridge Plaza on Route 315 in Wilkes-Barre at 10:30 a.m. for a picturesque ride through Jim Thorpe, a scenic stop at Penn’s Peak and lunch at Roadies.

June 12 & 13, 2010 - Weekend away – Tina Gittleman (254-6932) Bath, New York Meet in Mr. Z’s parking lot Waverly exit 197 off I-81 for a 9:00 a.m. departure. Microtel rooms are \$62.10 for 1 queen bed, \$75.60 for two queen beds. Esperanza Rose dinner cruise is \$45.95 per person including tax, not tip followed by moonlight cruise.

June 19, 2010 – Fairway Motors Hazleton – All Corvette Car Show – Ray Burroughs. Meet in K Mart parking lot near Blackman Street in Wilkes-Barre at 10:00 a.m. The car show starts at 11:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m. There is no fee for this event. Rain date is June 20, 2010.

June 27, 2010 – McDade Park Picnic – Barbara McCracken 12:00 noon the club will supply hot dogs and hamburgers everyone is asked to bring a side dish to share. This is a state park – alcoholic beverages are prohibited. Guests are \$5 plus a cover dish item. Reservation deadline is June 23.

July 10, 2010 – Alan Reese – Ice Cream Ride. Meet at 6:00 p.m. at Fox Ridge Plaza Wilkes-Barre.

July 30, 2010 Friday – Baseball Game Baby Yankees – Amy Zaretski \$11.50 per person entitles everyone to a lower level seat, hat, program, and free ticket to ARCA 125 race. A NASCAR driver will be tossing out the first pitch; fireworks after the game. An all-you-can eat hot dog, hamburger, BBQ chicken buffet will be available for an additional \$6 per person for 2 ½ hours. A car show is planned before the game. Arrive by 5:30 and park in the season ticket holder’s parking lot for the show as well as through the duration of the game. Make checks payable to CCNEPA for \$11.50 or \$17.50 by May 31, 2010. If 20 people do not participate, the event will be cancelled and the \$25 deposit lost.

August 1, 2010 - Joe Lazzaro – River Raft Ride. Raft ride and dinner is expected to be approximately \$35. Details will be announced at a later date.

August 15, 2010 – Barbara McCracken – Summer Picnic – Pennbrook Grove, catered by Inn of the Abington’s. Hot lunch buffet will be served at 12 noon with a cold buffet at 4:00 p.m. Games prizes and fun are expected rain or shine. A \$10 deposit is necessary to secure your reservation. The deposit will be refunded at the picnic. Guest pricing is being investigated and will be announced.

September 12, 2010 – Sunday – Alan Reese Knoebel’s Amusement Park

September 18, 2010 – Saturday morning – Luzerne Parade Joe Lazzaro

September 18, 2010 – Saturday evening – Quaker Steak & Lube Cruise – Toys for Tots kick-off Amy Zaretski & Bryan McCracken

OLD BUSINESS: Jim Cockerill, Parliamentarian, read the proposed constitution change to Article 5, Section 1, Paragraph 6:

CURRENT: “The limit for events to be spent by the chairperson will be Two Hundred fifty Dollars (\$250.00). Additional fees can be obtained only with Board or general membership majority vote. Any chairperson exceeding this amount without approval will be personally responsible for the excess expenditures.”

PROPOSED: “The limit for events to be spent by the chairperson will be Two Hundred fifty Dollars (\$250.00) with Board approval. Additional fees can be obtained only with Board or general membership majority vote. Any chairperson exceeding this amount without approval will be personally responsible for the excess expenditures.”

The president asked for a vote by show of hands. The general membership voted and the constitutional amendment passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Ron Gitkos detailed the Vetts for Vets event taking place on Sunday, June 13, 2010 from noon to 5:00 p.m. at West Side Auto on Wyoming Avenue in Exeter. Fee is \$10 per car, which includes refreshments.

Joe Lazzaro was approached by Pocono Mountain Corvette Club proposing a non-sanctioned drag race event at Seaman’s Airport near Clarks Summit. Pocono Mountain is estimating a \$20 per car fee and entertaining the idea of offering a BBQ for an additional fee. They are looking at July 25, 2010 as a possible date. Joe will research further and report back to the Club with additional details.

CHARITY: Pat Cockerill announced the animal donations campaign is closed as of tonight and ring tabs continue to be collected. Amy Zaretski and Pat will be dividing the animal shelter donations equally and delivering to the SPCA of Luzerne County and the Lackawanna County Humane Society on Saturday, May 22 at 9:00 a.m. at Pat's home at 821 Shady Lane Rd.; South Abington Twp. (587-4101) all are welcome. New, unwrapped items may be brought in at any time as donations to Toys for Tots.

GOOD OF THE CLUB: Jim Cockerill recommended the members read the current issue of Blue Bars specifically pages 17 through 20 in reference to NCCC insurance coverage. He reported the article enlightening and reminded everyone to make certain release forms are available and signed at all club events. He further stated that only NCCC members are covered by NCCC insurance.

Club calendars are available.

50/50: \$xx collected; Carol Reese won \$xx.

Board meeting is changed from Tuesday, June 1, 2010 to Thursday, June 3, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. on a motion by Bob Robinson; seconded by Joe DiRenzo.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary