

UNAPPROVED

March 2012 Monthly General Membership Meeting
Thursday, March 8, 2012 – VFW Dupont, PA

Joe Lazzaro, President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the general meeting to order at 8:16 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2012 at the VFW in Dupont, Pennsylvania. The pledge of allegiance was recited. All officers were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti – Jon Valentine motioned to accept the February minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting, seconded by Bob Tuffy; passed unopposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barb McCracken

Beginning Balance: \$xxxx

Income: \$xxx

Expenses: \$xxx

M&T: \$xxx

Scranton Times Federal CU: \$xxx

Balance all accounts: \$xxxx

Ron Gitkos motioned to accept the treasurer's report; seconded by John Reese; passed unopposed.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: VFW \$25

Bob Robinson motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Ray Burroughs; passed unopposed.

DUES REPORT: Reporting will be suspended until August 2012.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese – David and Lisa Joyce of Pittston, owners of a 2003 convertible joined as regular and spousal members respectively. The Club approved their membership unanimously.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro – The next meeting is March 10, 2012. Joe announced that any NCCC member is welcome to attend a Governor's; contact Joe to secure a reservation. The meetings are held near Harrisburg.

CHARITY: Report deferred to April in Pat Cockerill's absence.

PROPERTY: Joe Lazzaro – everything is accounted.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro – Recently updated with an interesting photo of a Porsche in wet cement. A short video of several Corvette models, base through race, shows comparisons and competition results. The archive page is up and running and will continue to be updated with photos from past Club functions.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine cautioned to ease your toys back into action by checking pressures and fluids before going full throttle. He also warned to be aware of materials on the roadways, remnants of anti-skid and other winter substances can cause problems as evidenced by recent motorcycle accidents. Jon further recommended proceeding carefully when changing out wheels so as not to compromise your vehicle's safety or performance. You need to make certain that the eye-catching wheels are totally compatible with your vehicle.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Saturday, February 25, Atlantic City Car Show – In Bert Occulto's absence members reported the bus was full, weather nice but windy, the car show pretty much the same, and the winnings scarce.

Saturday, March 3, 2012, Dinner and a Comedy – Sandy Fumanti – 15 members met at the Arena Bar and Grille for a delicious dinner with superb service followed by a night of laughs at the Wisecrackers Comedy Club in Wilkes-Barre.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, March 18, 2012, Buffet at East Mountain Inn – Joe Lazzaro – meet at 11:00 a.m. at East Mountain Inn on Route 115. Cost is \$22 or \$19 with a senior citizen discount. Reservations are due to Joe by March 15.

Saturday, March 31, 2012 – Nite @ the Races – Ron Gitkos – the Jeffrey DePrimo Foundation is sponsoring the event with all funds collected to benefit several veteran programs. Gate price is \$5 per person or free with the purchase of a horse. Includes food and beverages at St. Anthony's, 28 Memorial Ave. in Exeter at 6:00 p.m.

April 21, 2012 – Dinner and a Surprise – Sandy Fumanti

Meet for dinner at Leggio's Back Mountain at 6:00 p.m. followed by a surprise. Reservations MUST be made by Monday, April 16 to ensure the surprise is complete for everyone. This will be a BYOB event after dinner, with a twist – that's the surprise!

April 29, 2012 – Rallye – Jim Cockerill - charity event, registration at noon, first car off at 1:00 p.m.

May 6, 2012 – Sunday Ride – Jay Demerer details to be announced. Check the website for a list of "singles" - members who may be looking for a passenger or driver to attend an event.

May 19, 2012 – Armed Forces Parade & Bingo with the Vets Pat and Jim Cockerill – lunch between events at Preno's. Meet at the Geno Merle Center lobby at 1:30 p.m. for bingo.

Monday, May 28, 2012 – Pocono Driving Event – Joe Lazzaro – No general meeting has taken place. The Ferrari club is on board but not sure about the Maserati Club. The finishing coat is all that remains to be done on the track's repaving project. Joe's been reassured that the track will be ready for the Club's event. Changes to the infield roadways are being considered as a 2012 fall project.

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.

June 10, 2012 – Vettes for Vets – Ron Gitkos \$10 registration includes food, beverages, a flyover, raffle drawings and DJ – West Pittston at the Valero filling station on Wyoming Ave. All proceeds are disbursed among local VFW posts. Ron's goal is 40 to 50 vehicles.

June 24, 2012 – Sunday Ride – Bud Vinton – details to be announced.

Chairpersons are needed for the Halloween event and two week ends away; see Joe for details.

OLD BUSINESS:

Barbara McCracken announced that a \$40 deposit is needed to secure the grove for the Summer Picnic. John Reese motioned to expend the \$40 for the grove deposit, seconded by Lanny Scott, passed unopposed.

Joe Lazzaro announced that a \$100 deposit secured Vanderlyn's in Kingston for the Member Appreciation Night in November.

NEW BUSINESS:

Drag racing, a joint event with the Mount Pocono Corvette Club, is again scheduled at Seman's Airport in Freeland on July 1 and September 16. Both events begin with sign in at 11:00 a.m. with runs beginning at noon. Cost is estimated to be \$25 per vehicle.

With the hope of warm weather and the Corvettes coming out of hibernation, Joe asked for suggestions for alternative meeting venues. Please keep in mind parking, dining facilities, and ease of conducting a meeting.

GOOD OF THE CLUB:

Janine Lamberton, Gary's widow, was given the option of membership or refund. In an e-mail to the president, Janine expressed how emotional it is for her to drive the Corvette without Gary and opted not to accept membership at this time. She asked that rather than refunding the dues to please transfer the funds into the Charity account in memory of Gary.

The Club received a letter from a PA law firm who is liquidating an estate. A 1975 blue Corvette, 4-speed, cloth interior, with approximately 32,000 miles is available for best offer. If interested, see Joe for details, as of this date the vehicle is still available.

The next board meeting is Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at the Midtown Bar & Grill; 6:00 for dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting.

The next general membership meeting is Thursday, April 12, 2012 at the VFW 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.

50/50: \$xx collected; Lanny Scott won \$xx and \$xx was directed to the charity fund. Jim Dixon won a poster.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. on a motion by Bob Robinson, seconded by Jon Valentine.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary