APPROVED

August 2013 Monthly General Membership Meeting Thursday, August 8, 2013 – Valley Chevrolet Service Center Wilkes-Barre, PA

Joe Lazzaro President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the August General Membership meeting to order at 8:27

p.m. on August 8, 2013 at Valley Chevrolet Service Center in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Jay Demerer was absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sandy Fumanti – Bob Tuffy motioned to accept the July minutes as read as an accurate account of the meeting, seconded by Frank Pliss; 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 Jon Valentine motioned to accept the treasurer's report; seconded by Bert Occulto; passed unopposed.

BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB: Joe Lazzaro submitted the following bills: \$1,433.50 computer purchase; \$7.41 basket for the Care for Constance charity; \$42.35 (Pittston Printing) for additional flyers for the Motors on the Mountain. Ron Gitkos motioned to pay the bills, seconded by John Reese; passed unopposed.

DUES REPORT: Barbara McCracken announced the dues notices will be sent out at the end of August/beginning of September. She indicated she would accept payment anytime but keep in mind there is a late fee of \$10 after October 31, 2013.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Alan Reese reported Dr. Ziegler was called and reminded of the meeting.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Joe Lazzaro – Blue Bars magazine was sent out, he is still waiting for convention results, and the next governor's meeting is September 28, 2013.

CHARITY: Pat Cockerill reported \$100 was given to the Ousterhout Library Raise the Roof Campaign, \$100 sent to the Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen in Wyoming County, bingo with the Vets is set for Saturday, November 9, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., the scarf, gloves, afghan campaign for the homeless continues (yarn is available from Pat) she already has 9 scarves and 2 afghans, ring tabs continue to be collected, and it's not too early to think about Toys for Tots. Joe Lazzaro announced he attended the Constance Ruggere Charity Event and the \$100 and basket were greatly appreciated.

PROPERTY: Joe Lazzaro – all in order.

WEB SITE: Joe Lazzaro reminded the membership to visit the website to view updated photos from recent events including the McDade Picnic.

CORVETTE CORNER: Jon Valentine congratulated club member, Steve Sincavage, on taking first place at the recent Giant's Despair Hill Climb. Kudos to General Motors on producing a better-made Corvette, as he sees fewer vehicles needing repairs. Jon cautioned to be extra diligent when purchasing used Corvettes or any vehicles because of the recent wide-spread flooding. Make certain to thoroughly check out the vehicle before purchasing. The anticipated date of the C-7 arriving at the dealerships is approximately the second week of September, however a pre-production has been spotted near Harveys Lake.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: July 14, 2013 – Sunday McDade Park Picnic – Joe Lazzaro 10 members, 5 Club cars and one metal car met at the park in the shade on a hot, hot, hot day. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon and camaraderie.

<u>July 27, 2013 – Night Ride – Sandy Fumanti</u> – 19 members, 10 club cars and 3 guests met for what was planned to be a nice evening drive through the mountains. Tuned out to be a hair rising drive through a torrential downpour; second year running. Plan B was activated including a U-turn with the group assembling at a pavilion at Frances Slocum Park only to be informed by the ranger that the park closes at 8:00 p.m. it was 8:10. Using still burning charcoal leftover from the previous occupants of the pavilion, the group toasted marshmallows, shoved s'mores down their throats, ate Judy Melewski's yummy home-made turtle candies, and disbursed – soaked. Games with prizes were planned, but we'll try again next year.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

<u>August 9, 2013 – Friday – Ousterhout Library Raise the Roof</u> Ron Gitkos, chair – must be at the Intermodal Center in Wilkes-Barre City by 5:00 p.m. On the roof if the weather is nice, one floor below in case of rain. Event runs 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. This is the third

year and the library staff has always been very hospitable. In the past the drivers were free and passengers \$20 at the gate or \$15 pre-sale which includes food and beverages provided by local vendors. The event is limited to 10 Corvettes. Meet Joe Lazzaro at 4:30 at Valley Chevrolet Service Center parking lot to caravan to the event.

<u>August 18, 2013 – Sunday Summer Party</u> – Pat Cockerill Chair announced all in under control. 35 reservations have been made to date. The event is being held at Penn Brook Grove in Factoryville and Club member, Bert Occulto is catering, the Club will pay the parking fees, games and prizes are planned.

August 23-25, 2013 – Carlisle – no caravan since many members attend at convenient dates and times.

<u>September 8, 2013 – Sunday - Knobel's Grove</u> – Alan Reese, chair meet at 11:00 a.m. at K Mart near Blackman Street in Wilkes-Barre. Two tables in Pavilion B, near the Big Wheel, have been reserved.

<u>September 14, 2013 – Saturday – Luzerne Parade</u> – Joe Lazzaro, chair meet at Bennett Street Laundry at 11:30 a.m. check the website regularly for updates.

<u>September 15, 2013 – Montage Mountain Car Show – Scott Walter, Chair 1,000</u> flyers have been distributed. Registration is 8:00 a.m. to noon, judging at 12:30 with awards at 3:00 p.m. Club cars are excluded. Entercom Communications is a corporate sponsor and local bands are booked for the event. Scott asked for help at the show; please arrive by 7:00 a.m. Radio ads are expected to begin airing. Tickets are \$10 pre sale and \$15 at the gate.

September 22, 2013 Drags Semian's Airport – Joe Lazzaro announced the registration begins at 10:00 a.m. and fee is \$25. The event takes place at the airport as in the past.

<u>September 22, 2013 – Sunday – Brunch Wildflowers, East Mountain Inn</u> – Joe Lazzaro, chair meet at 11:00 a.m. Make reservations with Joe. The group seems to really enjoy this event.

<u>September 28, 2013 – Saturday – Calendar Meeting</u> – Alan & Carol Reese, Chair hosting at their home at 2:00 p.m. Sign up with Carol so appropriate arrangements can be made for refreshments.

October 4, 5, & 6, 2013 – Weekend Away – Lanny Scott, chair – currently looking into a train trip on the Delaware and Ulster Railroad that includes dining and open air cars. More details to be announced.

OLD BUSINESS:

- If interested in becoming a board member, submit your name to the Secretary, this is the last opportunity to volunteer.
- The president received the new laptop computer and the old laptop is being passed down the secretary.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The financial records were reviewed for 2011 and 2012 with no major recommendations.
- Meeting location suggestions are welcome

GOOD OF THE CLUB:

• September Board Meeting will be Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at the Midtown Sports Bar & Grill 6:00 p.m. for dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting.

• September General Membership meeting will be at Uno Pizza, Dickson City on September 12, 2013 6:00 p.m. for dinner, 8:00 p.m. meeting.

• Joe Lazzaro extended a very appreciative thank you to Valley Chevrolet for hosting the August General Membership meeting.

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; Rose Gitkos won \$xx and \$xx was directed to the charity fund.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. on a motion made by Jon Valentine, seconded by Ron Gitkos.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Fumanti, Secretary