

APPROVED

June 2014 Monthly General Membership Meeting  
Thursday, June 12, 2014 – Perkins Family Restaurant Pittston Township

Joe Lazzaro President of the Corvette Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania called the June 2014 General Membership meeting to order at 8:06 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at Perkins Family Restaurant in Pittston Township. The pledge of allegiance was recited. All officers were present.

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Carol Reese

M&T Beginning Balance: \$xxx

Income: \$xxx

Expenses: \$xxx

M&T Balance: \$xxx

Scranton Times Federal CU: \$xxx (As of 3/31/14)

Balance all accounts: \$xxx

Frank Plis motioned to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Lanny Scott; passed unopposed.

**BILLS AGAINST THE CLUB:** None.

**DUES REPORT:** Deferred to August.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Alan Reese announced the following new prospective members: Jim and Irene Sweigert of Mountain Top -2014 C7 LTD Coupe Jim Haberski of Pittston – 1966 convertible Lisa Marcino and John Timek of Pittston – 2001 convertible Robert and Sue Nerbecki of Plains – 2007 C6 The Club voted unanimously to accept the new members. Welcome to all, looking forward to seeing you at events. Gary Dennis of Mountain Top was sent an e-mail and is expected at the next meeting.

**GOVERNOR'S REPORT:** Joe Lazzaro – The logo for the 2015 convention has been approved and T-Shirts are being designed and pricing secured. The 2014 national convention will be held in Savannah, Georgia and the 2015 in the Poconos at Split Rock Lodge with a driving event expected at the Pocono Raceway.

**CHARITY:** Sandy Fumanti – June is the last month ring tabs will be collected for the benefit of Toys for Tots. Ring tabs will continue to be collected but proceeds will be put into the general charity fund. Main Source was contacted regarding their charity “give back” policy. It was learned that it is only available to non-profit organizations with a current tax exemption certificate; which must be provided. The “give back” is processed every six months and only if the amount exceeds \$500. The veterans are in need of personal hygiene items at the VA in Wilkes-Barre. In an effort to continue supporting the men and women who have served our country, a campaign will be kicked-off beginning immediately until further notice. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner (not hotel or travel sizes), body wash (no bar soap), shave cream, and mouthwash will be collected. Please be generous. A date for bingo with the Vets is being pursued and it is the hope that in addition to the coupon prizes, an impressive amount of personal hygiene items can be delivered to the VA at the next Bingo event.

**PROPERTY:** Joe Lazzaro – all in order and accounted for at this time.

**WEB SITE:** Joe Lazzaro – Updated for June with information on new Z06. Photos will be added. Car of the month is Ralph Kaufman.

**CORVETTE CORNER:** Jon Valentine – the new 2015 Z06 has 630 HP with 650 torque. Jon announced that he sees very little problems with the newer Corvettes and congratulated the engineers on doing a great job. He continues to see C3s with brake problems.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** May 17, 2014 – Armed Forces Day Parade Jim Cockerill and Jay Demerer 5

Corvettes and 9 members participated in what proved to be a disappointing spectator turn-out.

May 23, 2014 Precision Driving School Joe Lazzaro reported 4 cars participated in the driving school at Pocono Raceway.

May 26, 2014 – West Pittston Memorial Day Parade – Ron Gitkos, Chair thanked the members for participation. He reported approximately 10 member cars drove in the short parade but an overwhelming number of spectators lined the street. The guest speaker was a Lt. Col. a former Thunderbird pilot.

June 8, 2014 – Vettes for Vets – Ron Gitkos, thanked the members for support and reported approximately 49 Corvettes were at the show at the Valero Station in West Pittston. Among the donated items were the food, tents, prizes, and DJ. All proceeds are donated to the American Legion and help to support their many events throughout the year including the Memorial Day Parade, and annual Veterans picnic.

June 7, 2014 – Fairway Chevrolet Car Show – Sue and Bud Vinton reported they were the only Club members at the event but enjoyed the day.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

June 22, 2014 – Sunday Ride – Bud and Sue Vinton, Chair – meet at 11:30 a.m. in the K Mart parking lot near Blackman Street in Wilkes-Barre for a ride to Eagles Mere and visit to the Air Museum which displays planes from 1917 through 1944 and the Vintage Auto Museum exhibiting 70 classic and muscle cars. The entrance fee for one museum is \$6.00 per person or \$8.00 per person for both. A stop at the Eagles Mere Piglet Pub is also planned.

June 27, 28 & 29 – Weekend Away – Joe Lazzaro, chair. Meet at Sheetz on 315 near the Mohegan Sun Casino for a 9:00 a.m. departure or a second rendezvous location is at the Top of The 80's Restaurant at 9:45 a.m. The group will caravan to the Courtyard Marriott in Hunt Valley. There is no bar in the hotel so it's a BYOB affair. A trip into Inner Harbor is planned for Saturday using the light rail rather than taking the Corvettes into the city and paying large parking fees. A few ideas for Sunday are being considered. If you want to join the group, call the hotel as the block has expired. See Joe for details.

July 12, 2014 – Ice Cream Ride – Alan Reese, chair. Meet at 6:00 p.m. at Fox Ridge Plaza. A one-hour ride is planned with the final stop at Sprinkles & Shakes on River Street in Plains.

July 20, 2014 – Sunday Picnic Lackawanna State Park – Mary Ann O'Hara, Chair. Meet at Keiser Oak Plaza at noon to caravan to the park or go directly to Lot #3 or Lot #4. Paddle boats are available for rent and food concessions are available. This is a bring your picnic lunch, and of course, snacks or desserts to share with the group.

July 26, 2014 – Saturday Night Ride – Tina Gittleman volunteered to chair. Meet at 6:00 p.m. at the Waverly Exit 197 off I-81 in Mr. Z's parking lot.

August 8, 2014 – Friday Osterhout Library Raise the Roof – Joe Lazzaro announced the library committee changed the venue from Raise the Roof to Brewsterhout Patio Party on Franklin Street in Wilkes-Barre beginning at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Advance purchase is \$20 and ticket price at the event is \$25.

August 17, 2014 – Sunday Summer Picnic – Joe Lazzaro, Chair event will be at the PAV in Hudson, near Plains. Bert Occulto will cater. No outside liquor is permitted on the premises. The facility has a covered pavilion with indoor rest rooms, a full kitchen, and paved parking.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Lisa Marcino will provide Joe Lazzaro with information on the Noxen Pow Wow for consideration as an event for Club participation.
- Ken Novinger passed away as the result of a crash at a driving school in Summit Point, Virginia. He was the instructor in a student driven vehicle.

**GOOD OF THE CLUB:**

- The July Board Meeting is Tuesday, July 1, 2014, at Perkins Family Restaurant in Pittston Township. 6:00 p.m. for dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting.

The July General Membership meeting is Thursday, July 10, 2014 at Perkins Family Restaurant in Pittston Township. 6:00 p.m. for dinner meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The August 14, 2014 General Membership meeting will be held at Valley Chevrolet's Service Center on Cunningham Street in Wilkes-Barre.

Memorial services for Tom Marron are scheduled on Saturday, June 14 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Stanislaus Polish National Catholic Church 529 Locust Street in Scranton. Friends may call from 9:00 until time of service.

Club merchandise available for sale: Duffle bags (black only) \$20; Thermos' \$15; Hats \$12; chairs \$20; coolers \$15; coasters \$2.50 each or 6 for \$10; blankets \$20 and patches \$2

50/50: \$xx collected; Bob Tuffy won \$xx and \$xx was directed to the charity fund.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m. on a motion made by Lanny Scott, seconded by Jon Valentine.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Fumanti, Secretary**