Official Newsletter of C.C.W.P.



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Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania



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The Presidential Blog

Hello everyone and welcome to 2018. The new Board has met and we are in the early stages of putting the calendar together for the year. We are looking into some great new ideas and things to do this year and if anyone has any suggestions we would like to hear them.

If you missed the After-Christmas Party you missed a good time. The food was great and the entertainment, Cindy Speck the ventriloquist, was very entertaining. Plus there were some nice door prizes given out to round out the evening. Thanks to Glenn Raymer for another successful event. Don't forget that this year marks your club's 60th anniversary and we are working hard to make it a special year as we celebrate our history. We have some things already in the works but welcome any and all ideas, so if you have something in mind please contact Sue or me to share your thoughts. Remember that if you hear of the death, illness or accident of any of our members or their immediate family please contact Connie Jelovich (see contact info in this Newsletter) so that we may send condolences. If you have not already done so remember to send your membership fee and application to Allen Young so you can remain an active member and can share in the events and celebrations we are planning. This also ensures that you have access to the Flying Fiberglass, the Club's Newsletter. Also, if you never received or have lost your name badge, please let Allen know. If you are replacing a lost badge there will be a nominal charge. All new members receive a name badge as part of their initial membership package.

Remember that Jack White will have Museum raffle tickets at meetings and events.

One of my goals each year is to conduct some type of survey of the membership to try to get a handle on what kind of events they are interested in. I then hope that we can get the members more involved, not only in attending more events but possibly in helping in the planning stages too. It is involvement at all levels that will continue to make this the great club that it is. I've experienced first-hand that being part of a team is a rewarding experience. You get to know other members in a more casual setting and in these settings form friendships that you might not be able to by just attending meetings. Another plus to being involved in the planning process is that we usually meet at a restaurant for lunch or dinner so it is an opportunity for a day or night out. Remember, you are never too old to learn how to have more fun! Another way to have more fun is driving your Corvette. As the saying goes, "Try it, you'll like it!"

Remember that our next membership meeting will be held in March 2018, on Monday, the 12th at the Boulevard in Delmont. The meeting starts at 7:00 but plan on coming early to share dinner with your fellow club members.

I always welcome your ideas and suggestions. I am looking forward to an exciting and rewarding new year for our Club. Feel free to contact me at: E-mail: fpaolo@comcast.net or phone: 724-842-6001.

Frank Paolo

<u>Corvette Museum – Jack White</u>

See Jack at events to purchase your tickets



2018 Arctic White Corvette Coupe \$10 Drawing: Thursday, February 8, 2018 At 2 pm CT

New Raffle Tickets

6.2 Liter V8 460 HP Engine
8-Speed Paddle-Shift Automatic transmission
Magnetic Selective Ride Control
Multi-Mode Performance Exhaust
Z51 Style 5-Split Spoke Chrome Aluminum Wheels with Red Painted Calipers
One Piece Transparent Removable Roof Panel
Chevrolet MyLink Radio with Navigation System
Performance Data and Video Recorder
Curb-View Front Camera 2LT Equipment Group with Adrenaline Red Leather interior Including head-up display, heated and ventilated seats, Bose 10-speaker audio system, universal home remote, and remote vehicle starter system Chrome Badge Package Carbon Flash Hood Stripe Battery Protection Package Front License Plate Bracket Corvette Museum Delivery

CCWP Webmaster

Regis Kuzel





Remember, if you take pictures of Club events, participate in other Vette events, or you are featured in an article, share the information with the membership by sending them to the Webmaster. You can reach Regis at 412-818-2295. If you have any pictures of your car or anything you want to add send it to ccwp.org@gmail.com.

NEWSLETTER

ARTICLES

Send all pictures and articles to the editor by the 17th of the month at :

gyoung1210@msn.com or by regular mail to:

Georgeann Young 1210 Harvest Dr.

Monroeville, PA 15146

Do not use the Club mailing address as delays may occur.

Membership Meetings



Please note that there will **not** be a February Membership Meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone at the March Membership meeting on Monday, March 12.

Watch your newsletter for details.



Museum News



The GM Corvette Assembly Plant is getting ready to open its doors to the public for the engine building programs. Engine building for the ZR1 will start mid-February as the cars start rolling off the line the first week of March Z06 could potentially start earlier. The program will wrap up at the end of June for the 2019 model year. The guests of the Engine Build Program will be limited to the Performance Build Center portion of the plant and will spend approximately nine hours there. Cost and details are available on the Museum website.

This year's LeMans race takes place June 16-17 and the National Corvette Museum will be one of only three locations outside of France given a commercial-free, direct

feed of the race. Guests of this private viewing party will have access to the Museum Theater for viewing the race, access to view the race in the NCM Conference Center, continental breakfast Saturday, full breakfast Sunday, lunch on Saturday, pasta dinner Saturday, midnight ice cream sundae bar, cash bar Saturday night, snacks and refreshments throughout and drawings for memorabilia. Space is very limited. Registration available on the Museum website.

New exhibits, vintage Corvette rides, go-karts and Corvettes to drive. The National Corvette Museum and the NCM Motorsports Park welcomed new attractions and even more new visitors in 2017. This is the third consecutive year of increased attendance at the Bowling Green facilities.

For more information visit the museum website. The website is **WWW.Corvettemuseum.org** NOTE: Jack White, the CCWP ambassador to the Museum is stepping down and we are looking for someone to take his place. If interested contact Jack at 412-779-5228

February Birthdays – Allen Young



William Pritz	Feb. 4	William Horvath	n Feb. 18	Charlotte Ometz Feb. 28	
Warren Smith	Feb. 8	Charlene Lopat	ich Feb 18	Michelle Greco	
Louis Rostand	Feb. 16	Brad Paolo	Feb. 21	Russell Stitt, Jr.	
Rog <mark>e</mark> r Van Ryn	Feb. 16	Carolyn Klinger	nsmith Feb. 24		
Janet Lanev	Feb. 17	Ronald Gorton	Feb. 25		

Upcoming 2018 Club Activities

Board Meeting @ The Boulevard-7:00 pm
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March Membership Meeting
Board Meeting @ The Boulevard-7:00 pm
April Membership Meeting
Quaker Steak & Lube Cruise
USX Car Show

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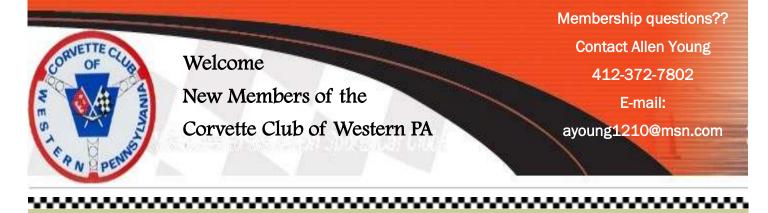
Illness & Condolences

If a Club member wishes to notify the Club of a death, illness, or accident in his/her (or fellow members) family please notify Connie Jelovich at 724-325-2571, CAJJJELO4@comcast.net with the information. The information will be passed on to other Club members at the next general meeting if so desired.





New Members – Allen Young



The Great Race

Recently we have talked about an event that takes place in June, The Great Race. It was started about 35 years ago and is based loosely on the movie of the same name. It is a time-speed-endurance rally for vintage cars, 1972 and older. This year the race takes off from Buffalo and ends in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Since the start is some place relatively close, we thought it might be fun to take a trip to Buffalo and see the cars off. We are planning on leaving Friday, June 22 and staying until Sunday, June 24.

It seems that we have a member, Clem Zahrobsky, who many years ago went to Baltimore to see part of the race and actually helped out one of the participants. He was even mentioned by name in a write up of the event. At a stop in Baltimore one of the cars developed a serious engine rattle and it seemed like their time in the race was over.

Here is the description from the actual article: "Clem Zahrobsky, owner of an engine rebuilding shop, ambled over. Far from a halo and wings, Clem wore casual slacks christened with the stains of a man who loves his work. But if ever there was a guardian angel, he was here now. He listened to everyone's opinion, raked his hand through his graying hair, then examined the patient. Hmm. He took another look and nodded confidently and said one of you boys fetch me a broom handle. Wooden scalpel Clem instructed Art to fire her up again. Clem listened again to the painful rattle and prodded and poked with the broom handle. It's your number one cylinder boys he said. Sure enough, as he removed the spark plug he noticed a foreign object inside the spark plug hole. With the hands of a a skilled surgeon he carefully removed the obstruction-a piece of metal 1/16" wide x 1/4" long. After checking for evidence of more metal in the first cylinder, Clem checked the other cylinders, replaced the plug, and gently lowered the hood. He announced that she's going to make it and he was right, no more noise. Art and John were still talking about the now-legendary Clem Zahrobsky as they tightened the exhaust, changed the oil and greased the chassis. They were back in the running and raring to go".

So it seems like we have some history with the race and a celebrity in our midst.

If anyone might be interested in joining us please let us know and it there is enough interest we can look into maybe getting a group hotel rate somewhere in the area. If not, then we can let you know where we are staying if you want to join us. If you have any comments or want more information, please contact.

Georgeann and Allen Young 412-372-7802 ayoung1210@msn.com



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Events



This winter is proving to be a tough one - cold and snowy. As we pass the long winter nights our thoughts might go to Spring and we start thinking of places we want to go and things we want to do in our Corvettes once the warm weather arrives. We are starting to plan for those warmer days and we welcome any ideas and suggestions you might have .

There are a few events that are already on the schedule:

Sunday, April 29th Thursday, June 7th Saturday, June 9th Sunday, August 5th Quaker Steak & Lube Car Cruise USX Car Show Car Cruise @ Hempfield High School Altoona Corvette Club Car Show (Delgrosso)

Hope everyone is keeping warm and we are looking forward to seeing you at the March membership meeting as we get ready for Spring and a new year of fun with our Vettes.

Remember, if you have any suggestions for events you would like us to look into please contact me.

Sue Marnell 724-60-6175 bmconures129@gmail.com



After Christmas Party













General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

Monday December 11, 2017

The monthly membership meeting was held at The Boulevard in Delmont. Frank Paolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Minutes from the November meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Bob Marnell seconded by Ron Thomas.

Director's Reports

Membership-Allen Young

To date we have 157 families and 257 members for 2017. We have 73 families and 133 members paid for 2018. New members Mike Furlin from North Huntingdon with a 2003 Silver Coupe and David Gainor & Georgia Stewart from Freeport with a 1995 Black C-4. Non-paid list: 90 families. We had 2 people who moved. Only 9 people do not have an email listed.

Vice-President / Insurance- Vince Morich

Insurance is paid.

Social- Glenn Raymer

The After-Xmas party is set for Banquets Unlimited in Irwin. There will be a ventriloquist for entertainment. The cost will be around \$30 a person and \$55 per couple and the club is picking up part of the tab. Non-members pay \$35. There will be a cash bar. Registration form is in the Newsletter. There are 48 people signed up do far.

Events-Sue Marnell

Please check the Website and our Facebook page-they have all the activities and details.

All events are posted in a list in the Newsletter.

We are looking at things to do for next year. Any suggestions can be sent to Sue.

One of the options we are looking at is a trip to a winery in North Carolina and then perhaps doing the Tail of the Dragon on the way home. It would be at least a 2-night trip and is over Memorial Day weekend, which could be an issue.

We have lost our indoor venue in Latrobe for our car shows so we need to find a new location for the Spring and Fall shows.

Art McGovern is organizing a trip to the Charlotte Raceway for a race and other activities in that area. It would be set around the Sept. 30th race. Tickets for the race are around \$160 and there would be special parking for the Corvettes. Some other activities being considered are the Carolina Raceway Park for go kart racing and possibly drag racing on a local airport runway. All would have separate costs associated with them. He is also looking to get a block of rooms at a hotel in that area. More details to come.

One possibility is a trip to Michigan to visit the GM proving grounds and then the Ford Museum. Some other ideas are the Butler Cruz-a-Palooza, Quaker Steak and lube Car Show in Sharon, the DelGrosso Show in Altoona, Colussey car show, visit to Jennerstown and possibly setting up an auto cross there too, visit to Lance Miller's collection in Carlisle, Corvettes at Carlisle, Zippo Lighter race at Watkins Glen, possibly attend a race at Jennerstown and do the parade lap.

We are looking at scheduling some bowling dates for the winter months. We are also looking for people with ideas who might like to coordinate an event as a way to help.

Newsletter-Georgeann Young

Georgeann reminded everyone to have all items for the Newsletter to her no later than the 17th.



SPECIAL REPORTS

Historical Committee – Frank Paolo No report.

Museum–Jack White

All the tickets for the next raffle have been sold.

Health and Welfare Committee- Connie Jelovich No report.

Competition—Frank Paolo No report.

WPCCC—Frank Paolo No report

Facebook

We are going to have Regis link the Facebook page to the Website so we can maximize our exposure to the public.

Old Business None

New Business

Website-Regis Kuzel has taken over management of our website and everything has now been moved and it looks wonderful. Same address as before so be sure to check it out. We are going to offer advertising to people who are interested, and you will be able to click on a link that will take you directly to their web page. Size and cost per year are as follow:

Full page-\$500 (we will work with them to design the page) Half Page-\$250 (their banner and a link to their website) Quarter Page-\$150 (link to their page) Logo on the side with a link-\$75

We received a certificate from the Museum for being a 15-year member and we will post this on the website. The Club's 60th anniversary is coming up in 2018 and we want to have some events to celebrate. Looking for ideas. 50/50 winner – Leo Kerns \$50 (\$50 to the Club) Election results (ballots counted by Ron and Gail Thomas): President: Frank Paolo Secretary: Deb Paolo Social: Bob Marnell Newsletter: Georgeann Young No official meeting in January (at the After-Christmas Party) or February.

Treasurer-Rich Zisek

Report given by Rich and motion to approve by Deb Cassel and seconded by Ron Thomas.

Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.

The next CCWP meeting will be in March 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.