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The Presidential Blog

We're a little past the halfway point of the summer and the club has been pretty active so far. We also have two outdoor meetings under our belt - thanks to all who attended. The 4th of July parade in Monroeville was a great event again this year. We had 16 cars represent us in the parade and we lucked out and had great weather. Thank you to all who brought their cars and even dressed up for the event.

The trip to Maple Grove Raceway, the Menard Show and Simeone Museum went well. Weather was great and the club even won an award. There was an even bigger surprise at the Simeone Museum - an old friend of the Club showed up there (more about that later in the Newsletter).

On July 13th we some club members went to the Tom Henry Show. It was a lot of fun even though it was a hot day. At least it didn't rain. The club had around 8 cars in the show. I have to say I was a bit disappointed with this turnout for their show given all the support that Tom Henry has given the Club for our shows.

August is another busy month for us. On Sunday, August 4th there is the car show at DelGrosso's. Then on the 11th we are having our annual club picnic (be sure you have your reservations in). The following Sunday, August 18th, we are going to Tour-Ed Mine for a tour and then on to visit a new winery. The 22nd to the 25th is Corvettes at Carlisle and we will have a club tent as usual. Then the 28th through the 31st is the Corvette Caravan. The Club members that are going are joining the Detroit group. They are going to the Indianapolis Speedway first and then on down to the Museum. There are directions to the picnic in this Newsletter and you might want to bring your chair just in case. We are still working on a Fall car show.

The Club still needs an Events Director and Socials Director. The Board is working hard to make this an active and exciting year for the Club but we need your help. If anyone has an idea they would like us to pursue, bring it to the Board and then take the lead in setting it up. This would go a long way in helping us keep things rolling through the year.

CCWP is a club that has endured through the support and enthusiasm of its members. I am always thrilled to have so many of you participate by attending meetings and other club activities. It would be an even bigger help to the club if some of you would step forward to fill one of the empty Board positions so the club can continue its run.

Each month we welcome new members who join to share the Corvette experience.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

Any suggestions you may have on how we can improve the Club or communicate with the members are always welcome.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions at:

E-mail: fpaolo@comcast.net or phone: 724-842-6001.

Frank Paolo

Reminder: The next meeting will be held at the Annual Picnic on Sunday, August 11th at Bushy Run Battlefield. Picnic time is noon to 4:00 pm, with lunch around 1:00 pm.

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Track Night



The SCCA Track Night in America was designed to enable automotive enthusiasts to realize their dream of driving on a track. It is a non-competitive, no-stress, entertaining, easy and inexpensive way for nearly anyone who has a love of cars and motorsports to get on a real racecourse in their own vehicle on a weeknight. The only requirements are that the participant be 18 years old with a valid drivers license and have access to an approved helmet and street car in good working condition. No previous on track experience or SCCA membership is required. Drivers can participate in the Advanced, Intermediate, or Novice experience group. Everyone gets three 20-minute sessions on the course.

The schedule for Pittsburgh International Race Complex in Wampum, PA (the old Beaver Run Raceway) is as follows:

August 14th

September 11th

Registration is now open for the 2019 season. www.TrackNighinAmerica.com/Events

For more information contact Mike Diorio, text, call or email 724-612-4272 or mikedsba232gmail.com

2019 Car Cruises

/Norwin Hills Weekly Cruise-Saturdays starting 4/6
Pittsburgh Mills Mall—Wednesday & Friday evenings
Delmont/Lamplighter Weekly Thursday Cruises
Victory Church, Cranberry-Friday night cruises

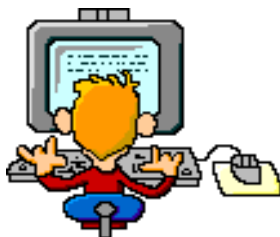
South Side Works	8/17/19
Syria Shrines Show-Cheswick	8/18/19

Altoona/DelGrosso's	8/4
Verona Annual Chamber of Commerce Car Cruise	8/10/19

CCWP Webmaster

Regis Kuzel

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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@CCWP.org.

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.

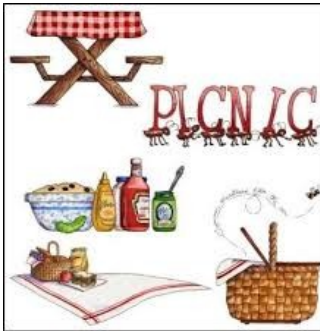
Annual Picnic—August Membership Meeting

THIS YEAR THE ANNUAL PICNIC AND AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH, FROM NOON TO 4 PM AT BUSHY RUN BATTLEFIELD IN JEANNETTE.

From Monroeville: Take US-22 E and turn right onto Trafford Rd, then continue straight ahead onto Pleasant Valley Rd and drive for 4.5 miles. Turn left onto PA-130 E, drive 1.8 miles, then turn left onto PA-993 E. Follow PA-993 E for 1.4 miles to Park.

From N Huntingdon and East: Take US-30 W and turn right onto Ronda Ct and continue onto Rocky Rd. Turn left onto Old Rte 30/Pennsylvania Ave, drive .6 miles, then turn right onto Brush Hill Rd. Follow Brush Hill Rd for .5 miles, turn right onto PA-993 E and drive .8 miles. Turn left onto Manor Harrison City Rd, drive 2 miles, then turn right onto PA-130E/PA-993 E/Harrison City-Jeannette Rd. In .2 miles turn left onto PA-993 E and drive 1.4 miles to Park.

Address: 1253 Bushy Run Rd.
Jeannette, PA 15644



Museum News-Pat Hillyard



The NCM Board has selected a new President & CEO. He is Dr. Sean Preston and he comes from Portland, Oregon, where he served as President of a non-profit independent school. He took over July 1st.

Elfi Wolfe Duntov is considered the Godmother and First Lady of Corvette. She often joined Zora Arkus-Duntov, the first chief engineer of Corvette, at car shows and special events. Her name is now attached to a new society, Elfi's Silver Pearl Sociey, to continue her legacy of philanthropy among like-minded women in the Corvette family. This will be a women-driven organization that will allow like-minded women to share

their love of America's Sports Car while furthering the mission of the NCM. To learn more check out the Museum website. The highly anticipated 8th generation Corvette will be making an appearance at the NCM as part of the 25th Anniversary Event festivities. GM confirmed that they will be bringing a new traveling display with items related to the latest model Corvette, as well as samples of the car itself.

On Fridays in August you can register to take a ride in a 1966 or 2017 Corvette during your visit to the Museum. See web-site for cost, details and registration.

Aug. 23-25 you can visit the Virginia International Raceway in Alton, VA for the IMSA WeatherTech Sports Car Championship. There will be a number of events in addition to the race itself. There will also be a Corvette Corral that will be hosted by the NCM, Board members and volunteers and it will be open Friday and Saturday. Fans are invited to register for the corral. See the NCM website for more details and registration information.

Check out the Museum website for more information about the Museum and Motorsports Park and to check out upcoming activities.
www.corvettemuseum.org

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August Birthdays — Allen Young



4th	Bob Chapaitis	18th	Jim Kraus	29th	Larry Shaffer
4th	Michael O'Malley	21st	Elaine White	29th	Sherry Stankiewicz
6th	Lewis Ometz, Jr.	22nd	Sandra Ross	31st	Janet Martz
14th	Ron Thomas	25th	Darlene Thompson		Jan Franz
15th	Rocky Pacelli	28th	Denise Rotmund		Ron Libengood
17th	Karen Smith	28th	Allen Young		Lew Ometz

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Upcoming 2019 Club Activities

Aug. 4, 2019	Del Grosso Car Show
Aug. 6, 2019	Board Meeting @ The Boulevard
Aug. 11, 2019	Annual Picnic @ Bushy Run Battlefield
Aug. 18, 2019	Tour-Ed Mine Tour
Aug. 22-25, 2019	Corvettes at Carlisle
Aug. 28-31, 2019	Caravan to NCM
Sept. 8, 2019	Edgewood Winery

DON'T FORGET!!! Watch future editions of the Flying Fiberglass for additional events and information on The Corvette Club of Western PA.

ALSO: please check out our website for any last minute changes that may affect an event you plan on attending. Our site is updated as new information becomes available. Don't forget! Visit: www.ccwp.org

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, CAJJELO4@comcast.net with the information. The information will be passed on to other Club members at the next general meeting if so desired.



2019 AUTOCROSS SCHEDULE

8/27	Ebensburg Airport
9/21	Ebensburg Airport
10/ 5	Jimmy Stewart Airport, Indiana

New Members — Allen Young



Welcome
New Members of the
Corvette Club of Western PA

Membership questions??

Contact Allen Young

412-372-7802

E-mail:

ayoung1210@msn.com

25th Anniversary-2019 National Corvette Caravan

The dates for the 2019 Caravan are Aug. 27-31, 2019. We have 12 cars going to join the Michigan caravan to the Museum for the festivities.

We will leave on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 8:00 from the Cracker Barrel Restaurant, 154 W. Pennsylvania Ave., New Stanton, PA 15672. We will travel west on Interstate 70. We hope to get thru Indianapolis before rush hour.

We would like to get to the hotel before the Michigan group arrives so we can get checked in before them. We would then be able to sit outside in the parking lot to watch all of their cars come into the parking lot.

Make sure you bring your walkie talkies and chairs.

You will need \$20 cash for the track on Wednesday.

Larry is still working with the Wyndham hotel to have some kind of dinner for us when we arrive but I don't know the details or cost. I will be emailing the people who are going on the caravan with updates as I receive them.

Any questions contact Deb Cassel

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Cassel79@yahoo.com



Events



We are still looking for an Events person to handle the coordination and/or planning of events for our Club. It is important to have an active director because a full and varied event schedule is what helps to make our Club special. It is also the best way for members to get to know each other, make connections, and form friendships. There are a couple of members who have helped by planning an event for the Club. Pat Hillyard has a trip planned for September (see article in the newsletter for more information).

Some upcoming events are:

August 4th - Del Grosso Car Show in Altoona

August 18th - Tour Ed Mine Tour

Aug. 22nd-25th - Corvettes at Carlisle

Aug. 28th-31th - Corvette Caravan to Bowling Green

Sept. 8th - Edgewood Winery

Sept. 15th-19th - Pat Hillyard driving trip

If anyone has any ideas for an event please let the Board know, or get started with the planning and let them know if you need help.

Simeone Museum Find - An Old Friend



One of our stops on the Club's recent road trip to the Menard Show and Simeone Museum we happened upon the car pictured here. One of our members on the tour peeked in the window of the shop at the Museum and found it. The best part of the story is that this once belonged to a former member of CCWP, John Maher, so that made it even more special that we found it.

Details: It is a 1969 C3 that was purchased by John Maher as a ZL1 automatic. There is some controversy surrounding the car. Company records do not show that there were any ZL1's available with an automatic transmission. Almost all references from that time period say there were only two production RPO ZL1 Corvettes built for sale to the public. There is some paperwork that calls that into question, but official GM production records indicate that only two RPO ZL1's were sold to the public. There is some thought that perhaps a non-production car slipped out of the factory and the it is believed that is a possibility. Regardless of the controversy the car is still a valued piece of history.

Color: Monaco Orange

The car currently features an original ZL1 427. It also features original heads and intake/exhaust. It is stated to have been delivered ZL1. The original owner (John Maher) supplied the tank sticker and an affidavit attesting that it is an original factory ZL1 with its original engine and factory documentation. The driveline is GM Turbo Hydramatic. It had a black vinyl rooftop option and black interior.



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60th Anniversary Merchandise

Pictured here are items that we have purchased to celebrate the Club's 60th Anniversary. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items please join us at a membership meeting or some other event to pick them up. If you have any questions you can contact any Board member for assistance.

Not Pictured: Window decals with 60th Anniversary logo Cost: \$2.00



CCWP LOGO Tumbler

18 oz. Stainless Steel

Double wall insulating for hot or cold.

Spill proof cap to protect your Vette!

Special for members \$6.00

Will be available at the meetings.



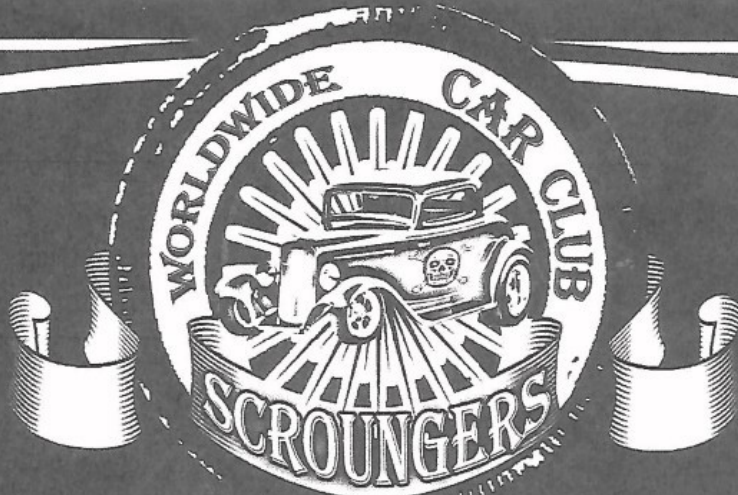
Price: \$15.00



Price: \$15.00

Covered Bridge Tour





2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW

AUGUST 18, 2019

12PM-5PM

Registration opens at 11AM

FIRST 100 CARS GET A DASH PLAQUE

Registration \$5.00

Veterans Leadership Program of Western Pennsylvania
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES



**PIN UP
CONTEST**

TROPHIES FOR 1ST PLACE

(Voting complete at 2:30 announced by 4pm)

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Road Trip



Pat Hillyard has planned a trip for the Club to take place September 15th to the 18th or 19th, 2019. It is mainly a driving trip that will cover some routes with great Corvette roads. The trip will start out from Uniontown Mall in Pennsylvania and travel through Elkins, West Virginia to Harrisonville, Virginia, and from there get on the Blue Ridge Parkway. There will be a stop for dinner at the Liberty Station Restaurant in Bedford, Virginia, and we will spend that first night in Roanoke, Virginia. The next morning the drive will continue on the Blue Ridge Parkway and then on to Asheville, North Carolina, spending the second night there. The next

morning there will be a tour of the Biltmore Estate and then head on to Blairsville, Georgia and dinner will be at a motorcycle/sports car resort and spend the night in that area. The next morning will start with a drive on the Gauntlet, a loop of 133 miles of twisty roads through the mountains of northeast Georgia. From there the drive will continue to Tellico Plains, Tennessee to drive the Cherahola Skyway to Robbinsville, North Carolina and then on to Deals Gap to drive the Tail of the Dragon. From there the route will go to the Foothills Parkway to head to Pigeon Forge. In Pigeon Forge there will be some options depending on how long we stay and could include a visit to Dollywood and/or the Titanic and the Floyd Garrett Muscle Car Museum. The drive home will be on the Super Slabs.

Pat is limiting the trip to 15 cars so if interested, contact him as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

You can email him at pathillyard@comcast.net

Pat will provide those who are going on the trip with the hotel information as it gets closer to the time of the trip. He anticipates that the hotel cost will be between \$500 and \$650, depending on how long the stay is in Pigeon Forge.



Tour Ed Mine Tour



(Too late to sign up if you have not already done so)

Sunday, August 18, 2019, we will be taking a tour of Tour Ed Mine in Tarentum. You can check out their website at tour-edmine.com. Cost will be \$8.00 per person and you must pay Mike, Our treasurer, by cash or check by the August picnic. Or you can send a check made out to CCWP to Mike Diorio, 607 Whispering Pines Dr., Gibsonia, PA 15044 by August 11th. I have reserved pavilion 2, so you can bring a packed lunch or get lunch from the food trucks at the flea market. After lunch and the flea market we will go on to Emmerling's Ice Cream in Cheswick for a treat. Then we move on for a free wine tasting at Mazzotta Winery in Gibsonia.

We will meet at 8:30 am in the Kmart parking lot, Riverview Plaza, 100 Tarentum Bridge Rd., New Kensington, to go to the mine together as a group. They normally charge for parking for the flea market but they won't charge us that day if we go as a group to the mine. This time is earlier than previous articles to allow time for anyone going on the mine tour to also have time to visit the flea market. We have 23 cars signed up so please bring your walkie talkies for the ride. Our group will be split into two groups for 10:00 and 10:30 tours.

If it rains: We will meet at 9:30 am at the Kmart parking lot and you must pack a lunch because the flea market will not be held if it rains.

Feel free to contact me in the evenings with any questions,

Deb Cassel

Cassel79@yahoo.com or 412-932-7326 in the evening.

Menard's Chevy Show @ Maple Grove Raceway



We left early Friday morning to travel out Route 22 and some back roads to Roma's Pizzeria in Pottsville for lunch. We then took a tour of the Yuengling Brewery and even got to sample some beer. Afterwards we traveled on some curvy roads to Bloomsburg where we went to Bill's Old Bike Barn. Bill was standing at the end of the road as we drove up the driveway. I was able to talk to his wife and she is the one who oversees the Barn except he does the buying. It was quite a collection of motorcycles, antiques, bikes, phones and anything to remind you of your childhood. We then had dinner at Marley's Brewery before heading to our room at the Best Western. On Saturday we went to Maple Grove Raceway to see the car show and drag races. It was a nice, hot, sunny day.

We stayed for the awards and our club was presented with a Menard's Club participation plaque for having the most cars from a club present

(there were 9 of us). After the show some of us went to Tom Sturgis Pretzel store to get some free samples and purchase some goodies. Some went swimming at the hotel while others just rested and took a nap. We had dinner that night by the hotel at the Deluxe Restaurant. Half of us had the owner as our waitress. I was surprised when she brought me my bill and said my meal was free for bringing the group there for dinner. That had never happened before that I am aware of, but I left her a tip that covered my meal anyway. It was all home cooking and our meals were less than \$10 per person. Afterwards we went to Plum Creek Farm and Market for some homemade ice cream. The place is so popular that we waited 35-45 minutes for the ice cream and large homemade soft pretzels at cheap prices. This was a Mennonite Farm.

On Sunday we traveled to Philadelphia to see the Simeone Auto Museum. As we pulled into the parking lot we saw Dr. Simeone (whose is a retired Neurosurgeon) getting out of his car. We had a guided tour of the 80 car collection and our guide, Dave, was very informative and receptive to questions. He told us he had been studying about corvettes for the last 7 weeks since I made the reservations so he could talk to us about our cars. After a 2 hour tour I found out that Gary had seen a corvette behind closed doors and it had been owned by John Maher, a former member. I asked Dave if we could see it and he said no one, not even him is able to go in that room. I asked him to contact Dr. Simeone to see if we could see the car since it was once owned by a former member of our club. I told him I would like to talk to Dr. Simeone to persuade him to let us in the room. After Dave ran around and made a phone call he told us to follow him. As I was walking with him he said we could go inside but don't touch the car. Dave said he was never able to go in there before and I said I guess I have more power than he does and I was happy that he was able to help us help him. I asked Dave to take a picture of all of us around the car and he did. Nice way to end a trip. We had lunch at Ruby Tuesday and headed home.



At the raceway



Simeone Museum



June 26th in Paris the Classic Car Trust reported the results of its detailed analysis of over 200 collections.

The Simeone Collection was ranked Number 1 with the highest score of all clubs evaluated.



Yuengling Brewery



Bill's Bike Barn



General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

Monday, July 8, 2019

The monthly membership meeting was at West Mifflin Community Park. Frank Paolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Pizza was from Florio's in Glassport.

Director's Reports**Membership— Allen Young**

For 2019 there are 129 families and 221 members. No new members this month.

Vice-President / Insurance— Vince Morich

Insurance is paid.

The summer picnic will be at Bushy Run Battlefield on the second Sunday in August, August 11th. It will be catered by the Boulevard. Cost is \$15 for a single and \$30 for a couple. Non-members are \$20 and \$40. We will eat around 1:00 pm.

Social— Vacant

We are looking for someone to take over this position for 2019. August is the annual picnic and will be at Bushy Run Battlefield.

Events— Vacant

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

We are looking for someone to take over this position.

August 4th-Altoona Del Grosso show .

Aug. 18th-Tour Ed Mine and Winery.

Aug. 22-25- Corvettes at Carlisle

Aug. 28-31-Corvette Caravan. We are joining the Detroit group and are going to meet them in Indianapolis and do a parade lap on the race track, then go on to the Museum.

Sept 8th-Edgewood Winery from 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Pat Hillyard has planned a driving trip for Sept. 15th to 19th, 2019 and the details are in the Newsletter. Max of 15 cars.

Events that still need to be arranged—Fall Car Show and Fall Leaf Peeper

Newsletter—Georgeann Young

Everything for the Newsletter should be submitted by the 17th of the month.

C-8 Mid-Engine Corvette Revealed

Other facts: There will be no manual transmission. 6.2 liter V-8 LT2 engine will be standard on the base stingray model. It will go into production in late 2019. Base price is under \$60,000.

SPECIAL REPORTS**Historical Committee — Frank Paolo**

No report.

Museum—Pat Hillyard

Raffle tickets can now be purchased using a mail order form that is available on the Museum website. The prices for the raffles has also changed.

Health and Welfare Committee- Connie Jelovich

No report.

Competition—Frank Paolo

No report.

WPCCC—Frank Paolo

No report

Website/Facebook

We have checked with some of our current sponsors and some have committed again for the current year. Regis is still doing the website and will help with the sponsors. We also have a PayPal account set up to make it easier to pay for some of these things.

Old Business

When Frank called the Museum to order the new brick he was quoted a price that was much higher than the one he had been given initially. It was decided that we would not pay the higher amount so that purchase has been tabled, at least for now. Lance had donated some funds and we will return those funds to him.

We still need someone to fill the **Social** and **Events** positions and if they are not filled, we could use a volunteer to handle the summer picnics.

There is still 60th Anniversary merchandise available.

60th Anniversary Merchandise

There is some merchandise available that commemorates our 60th anniversary. All items along with the prices are shown in the newsletter. These will be available at meetings and some events.

New Business

They are having a car show at Bowser Chevrolet in Monroeville (old Day) but it is being run by others. If we are able to arrange a fall show we could maybe have it at Bella Luna lot or back at Pittsburgh Mills. Tentative dates are Sept. 7th or 14th.

SCCA sponsors some events at the Pgh. International Raceway (Beaver Run) where you can drive on the track. Details are in the Newsletter. Still checking on Jennerstown and the new owners.

Treasurer—Mike Diorio

The Treasurer's report was given and approved.

Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.

Next meeting is at the Annual Picnic, Sunday, August 11th, at Bushy Run Battlefield.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.