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The Presidential Blog

Well here we are at the end of August and all I can say is wow, where did the summer go. I guess that proves the old saying "Time flies when you are having fun", and we have certainly had some fun filled times with our cars over the past couple of months.

The August picnic/meeting was a great event and the weather even cooperated by giving us plenty of sunshine to help make the day even better. There was a nice turnout and everyone had a great time sharing the day with their friends. We also had good food and music to set the mood. A big thank you to Vince Morich for all his hard work in setting everything up for us. We also had Dave come back to do photos of our cars just like he has the past couple of years. The shot of the parking lot was awesome. Deb Cassel planned a fun day that included a tour of Tour-Ed Mine, some great ice cream, and a visit to a new winery. She even ordered the right weather for the day. Corvettes at Carlisle was August 22nd through the 25th and we had our tent at our usual place for the event. There was lots going on as is usually the case and everyone who came out enjoyed their time there. We also got to see the new C8 Corvette and that was very cool.

The Caravan was leaving for Bowling Green late in the month and we'll have more on that trip in the next Newsletter. That is looking like it's going to be a fun trip.

We still have more to do with some events in September and October. September 8th we are going to the Edgewood Winery and on the 15th Pat Hillyard is heading out on his trip south on some fun roads that include the Tail of the Dragon.

Tim and Karen Zimmerman will handle the Leaf Peeper in October, so keep your eyes and ears open for more details to come.

The Club still needs an Events Director and Socials Director. Even though this year is winding down, those positions will still need to be filled for next year. The Board has worked hard to make sure we had a diverse slate of events for the Club but we still 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 on Monday, September 9th, at The Boulevard in Delmont. The meeting starts at 7:00 but come early and enjoy dinner with your friends.

"THE OLDEST AND ONE OF THE LARGEST CORVETTE CLUBS IN PENNSYLVANIA"

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.

There is only one date left at Pittsburgh International Race Complex in Wampum, PA (the old Beaver Run Raceway):

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

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.

September Membership Meeting



The September General Membership Meeting will be held on Monday, September 9th, at the Boulevard in Delmont.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm but come early and enjoy dinner with your fellow Corvette members.

The Boulevard
6543 US 22
Delmont, PA 15626



Museum News-Pat Hillyard



In preparation for the Caravan the Museum is preparing a special exhibit to celebrate its Anniversary. It will include a variety of special Corvettes and archival items from the NCM Grand Opening and original items from the first Corvette Caravan. There is more information and a video available on the Museum website.

It may be a little known fact that it was a Ford Thunderbird that Inspired GM to put a V-8 in their sporty Corvette. Sales of the 1953 and 1954 Corvette had missed their mark and they knew something had to be done to improve them or the new American Sports Car could fold. Thanks to a donor, Don Hering, the Museum now has a

1955 Thunderbird to help tell that story.

The number of vehicles housed within the collections of the Museum continues to grow thanks to the generosity of their numerous donors. The cars are used in a variety of ways, including sales to help raise money for the Museum. There is a 1974 Corvette that was donated in 2014 and has been exhibited several times at the Museum. It was a one-owner car at the time of its donation and currently has 34,434 miles on it. It will be up for auction on ebay. For more information check out the Museum website and the ebay website.

Each fall the NCM partners with the Kentucky State Police for a series of back-to-back road trips, taking participants through the countryside. The 2019 trip will be based in Danville, Kentucky and features a number of interesting stops. Proceeds from the trip are split between the Museum and KSP's Trooper Island Camp for underprivileged kids. To see the cost and details check the Museum's website.

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

www.corvettemuseum.org

September Birthdays – Allen Young



1st	Don Baker	6th	Dean Lindsay	22nd	William Callaghan
2nd	John Lopatich	7th	Jan Hollabaugh	22nd	Dennis Mazak
2nd	Norma Jane McDonald	10th	Ginny Bachner	26th	Lynn Full
4th	Vince Morich	13th	Richard Zisek		George Franz
4th	Georgia Stewart	17th	Frank Paolo		Sandy Libengood

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Upcoming 2019 Club Activities

Sept. 3, 2019	Board Meeting @ The Boulevard
Sept. 8, 2019	Edgewood Winery
Sept. 9, 2019	Membership Meeting @ The Boulevard
Sept. 15-20, 2019	Trip with Pat Hillyard south to Georgia and beyond
Oct. 2019	Leaf Peeper-TBA
Oct. 1, 2019	Board Meeting
Oct. 14, 2019	Membership Meeting

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

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

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Change to the By-Laws

If you have been to any meetings this year or read the President's Blog then you know that our current President, Frank Paolo, has decided not to serve another term. Therefore, we need candidates that might be interested in taking on the Presidential duties to step forward. In order to open the field to the entire club, it will be necessary to make a small change to the Club's By-Laws.

The section of the By-Laws pertaining to the election of a President as currently written are as follows:

Section 7.5 To be considered for the position of President, the person must have served on the Board of Directors for the full fiscal year immediately prior to the election.

The proposed change would eliminate this requirement so that any club member in good standing (meaning that their dues are current) would be able to run for the office of President.

This revised section would then read as follows:

Section 7.5 To be considered for the position of President, the interested party must be a member in good standing (meaning that their dues are current).

This change to the By-Laws will be open for discussion at the September Membership meeting and voted on at the October meeting.

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:

Sept. 8th - Edgewood Winery

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

There will be a Leaf Peeper in October and Karen and Tim Zimmerman will be making the plans. Details will follow so stay tuned.

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.

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 has all the details that you need as far as hotels, etc. and has provided that information to those members who have signed up to date. If anyone is still interested in joining the trip please contact Pat Hillyard as soon as possible.





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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

Tour-Ed Mine Trip

On Sunday, August 18, 2019 we had 20 cars make a visit to the Tour-Ed Mine in Tarentum. It was a beautiful day so there were lots of vendors at the flea market and it was fun to look around and see what people had for sale. Larry and Joe were our tour guides and both had lots of information for us. It had started to get hot outside so the coolness of being underground was refreshing. We had to split into two groups for the actual tour. We had a little classroom instruction before the real challenge came-getting into the car that took us into the mine. Most of us had to really duck down to work our way into the car because it was so short. Seeing the conditions that the miners had to work in for 10 or 12 hour shifts was certainly eye-opening. It wasn't anything any of us could see ourselves doing. I think we all learned a lot on the tour.

We left the mine and took some curvy back roads to Emmerling's in Cheswick for some ice cream. The staff there was great and we all got served in record time.

Then we went on to Mazzaotta Winery for a free wine tasting. All in all I think it was a great day and a good time was had by all who attended. The only downside was I had 33 people sign up for the wine tasting and by the time we got there we only had 18. I had to explain to the owner that we had 15 people cancel that day and I felt bad because he even had an extra employee come in to accommodate our group for the tasting. But overall everything went well and we all had a good time.

Deb Cassel



Annual Picnic



General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

Sunday, August 11, 2019

The monthly membership meeting was held at the Annual Club picnic at Bushy Run Battlefield. Frank Paolo called the meeting to order. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director's Reports**Membership— Allen Young (Absent)**

For 2019 there are 131 families and 222 members. No new members this month.

Vice-President / Insurance— Vince Morich

Insurance is paid.

The summer picnic was at Bushy Run Battlefield on August 11th. It was catered and everything was delicious.

Social— Vacant

We are looking for someone to take over this position for 2019.

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.

Aug. 18th-Tour Ed Mine and Winery.

Aug. 22-25- Corvettes at Carlisle. We will have the tent in the same place as last year.

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.

NCRS is doing a tour to Fallingwater in October and they will let us know the exact date.

Tim and Karen Zimmerman will be doing the Leaf Peeper in October. Details and the date are still to come.

Newsletter—Georgeann Young Absent

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

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

We are not doing a brick at the Museum for members that are in the Hall of Fame because they changed the price for the size we wanted. We will refund Lance's money.

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

We are submitting a change to the By-Laws regarding the qualifications needed to run for President. These will be posted in the September newsletter for the membership to view.

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 with the new owners but anything we come up with will probably be for next year.

Treasurer—Mike Diorio

The Treasurer's report was given and approved.

Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.

Next meeting will be Monday, September 9th, at the Boulevard in Delmont.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.