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Welcome Message

October brings cooler weather, vibrant colors as the leaves on the trees take on their fall coat, and a realization that another Corvette season is nearing its end.

Phil and Deb Cassel led a small group of members on a Watkins Glen trip in September. They found some great wineries to visit and purchased some fine wine. They also found a great farm machinery museum in that area and were amazed at some of the things that they saw there. The liked it so much that they suggested to everyone that if you happen to be in that area you should plan a visit to see for yourself.

The time is getting close for the trip Lynn Full is planning in October. She is leading a small contingent of members to Ocean City, Maryland to take part in the Vettes on the Boardwalk event. There are a number of fun events planned that weekend, but the highlight is sure to be the Corvette parade on the Boardwalk.

On Sunday, September 18th, Bob Whitesides spearheaded a car cruise at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville. It was a great day for a car show with comfortable temperatures and lots of sun. We had 36 Pre-registered cars and another 33 that joined us that day. Management at the dealership was very helpful in getting this all set up and backing our efforts. They even provided a number of items that we gave out at door prizes. Thanks to Bob Whitesides for making the initial contact and taking charge of the show, and to the Shorkey dealership in Murrysville where the show was held for all their help in making the show a great success.

Update on Vince: He is doing well and still going to rehab. Still having a little trouble getting around but that's getting better too. Hope to see him soon. The current Board has been in place for over two years and has worked hard to keep the Club together, but all members need to remember that it is their Club too, and it would be a big help if more people would get involved and help keep things going. We also welcome new members who want to be part of the oldest Corvette Club in the U.S. The application is in this Newsletter. We still have a couple of positions that need to be filled. These are Secretary and Socials. Please consider helping your club by offering to fill one of these openings. We again want to thank everyone for their continued support through these trying times and hope to see more events being planned as we go forward.

So many people do so much to make our Club an outstanding organization that it is impossible to name them all. The Board would like to send out a big **Thank You** again to everyone who has participated in and helped at any of our events. You are the heart and soul of CCWP.

Remember that Board meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month and any member is welcome to attend. If planning on attending, check with a Board member for the location of the meeting.

Note: The October Membership meeting will be held on Monday, October 10th, at Papa Rock's in Haymaker Plaza in Monroeville. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm, but plan on coming around 6:00 pm and sharing dinner with fellow members before the meeting. Hope to see you there.



Misc.

During the opening of NCM's 28th Annual Anniversary Celebration it was announced that plant tours will be resuming this year. The Corvette Assembly Plant will work with the NCM to schedule and lead the tours. Starting November 1st interested parties will be able to visit the Museum's website to schedule their tour. It was also announced that if you had participated in in a C8 Museum delivery during the time tours were shut down that you will get a free make-up tour.

Early last month Chevrolet sent their dealers an update about the ZO6 and it included a webcast from Chevrolet Global President Scott Bell and news that GM will be halting the submission of any new ZO6 orders through the end of the calendar year. It is believed this move was made to enable GM to better handle the ramp up of the production of the all new ZO6. It is estimated that between 400-500 orders were placed in the first allocation that opened in August.

GM recently backtracked on a previous announcement regarding ownership of new Z06's. They changed the warranty adherence from 12 months to 6 months. A second part of that announcement stated that there would be no exceptions for customers.



It was recently confirmed that the Ron Fellows Performance Driving School at Spring Mountain will begin offering the Z06 owners school beginning in April 2023. A tip for first timers to Spring Mountain is that as soon as you get your vin number you should contact the school and start inquiring about class schedules and get your name in so you can start making plans. This is also available for Sting Ray owners too. It's a great opportunity to explore the performance of the C8 models. Cost is \$1,000 plus travel.

The Chevrolet Corvette has been killing it at J.D. Power, where it just received the Platinum Award for having the best overall quality of any vehicle tested. Despite the assembly plant running hard and supply chain issues, quality is one thing they can control, and this award is a testament to the time and work put in by the Corvette's quality team.

CCWP Webmaster

Bradley Gray

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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 Brad via email: 1bradleygray@gmail.com. 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.

October Membership Meeting



The October Membership Meeting will be held on Monday, October 10th, at Papa Rocks in Haymaker Plaza on Route 130 in Monroeville.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm but come early, around 6:00 pm, and join your fellow members for dinner.

If you are planning on attending the meeting please let Allen Young know by Sunday, Oct. 9th so we can give the restaurant an idea of how many to plan for.

Allen's contact information: ayoung1210@msn.com 412-372-7802

Museum News-Pat Hillyard



Don Yenko is well known as a racer and builder of high-performance Chevrolets, but he was also a father who wanted to please his daughter Lynn. When he wasn't busy

modifying cars at his dealership, he was busy working on a Corvette just for Lynn. This special pedal car was offered as a sales incentives at various dealerships to increase sales of the 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air. The pedal car was 53-inches long and 24-inches wide. It was styled after the 1956 Corvette, and the cars came with

a one piece molded high impact body, a low and high speed shift handle on the steering column, a two-speed transmission featuring nylon beveled gears, heavy duty all steel welded frame, and more. During a modification Don added Gulf Oil and Yenko Chevrolet decals to the hood and decklid. Lynn and her friends actively played with this toy and the car clearly shows its use. For a time Lynn didn't know what had happened to the car but her father had given it



to a neighbor who donated it to the National Corvette Museum. The car is carefully maintained in its "as is" condition as a small part of the Yenko legacy at the Museum.

The NCM announces the opening of its Driven by Design exhibit. This is a 6,500 square foot exhibit that focuses on the history of Corvette's design process and stories about the diverse group of individuals who were responsible for the most iconic sports car design of all time.

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

October Birthdays - Allen Young



3rd	Bob Neff	10th	Madge Brown	24th	Raymond Ratay
4th	Rick Frattura	11th	Dennis Smith	25th	Mike Weber
6th	Linda Makar	22nd	Charlie Roslund	28th	Oren Grimenstein
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Upcoming 2021 Club Activities

October 4, 2022	October Board Meeting		
October 10, 2022	October Membership Meeting		
October 13-16, 2022	Vettes on the Boardwalk, Ocean City		
November 1, 2022	November Board Meeting		
November 14, 2022	November Membership Meeting		
December 6, 2022	December Board Meeting		
December 12, 2022	December Membership Meeting		
	future editions of the Flying Fiberglass for additional events corvette Club of Western PA.		
	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		

IIIness & 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 one of the Board Members. The information will be passed on to other Club members at the next general meeting if so desired.



The 1962 model represented the best the C1 generation had to offer. Only 14, 531 Corvettes exited the St. Louis factory in 1962, but this is likely one of the rarest you will find. First of all it is one of only 1,918 Corvettes to feature the top-of-the-line 327/360 horsepower fuel injection engine. What really sets it apart though is up front, where the car is believed to be one of only 50 Corvettes outfitted with an anodized gold grille in 1962. All the others came with black grilles. There are a number of theories of why the gold grille was used. One idea was the it was used to mark Chevrolet's 50th Anniversary. Another idea is that they were used early in the model year to spotlight Corvettes with the optional higher powered engine.

New Members – Allen Young Membership questions?? **Contact Allen Young** Welcome 412-372-7802 New Members of the E-mail: Corvette Club of Western PA ayoung1210@msn.com _____ Michael Strong & Patti Carl West Newton, PA 1996 Yellow Coupe

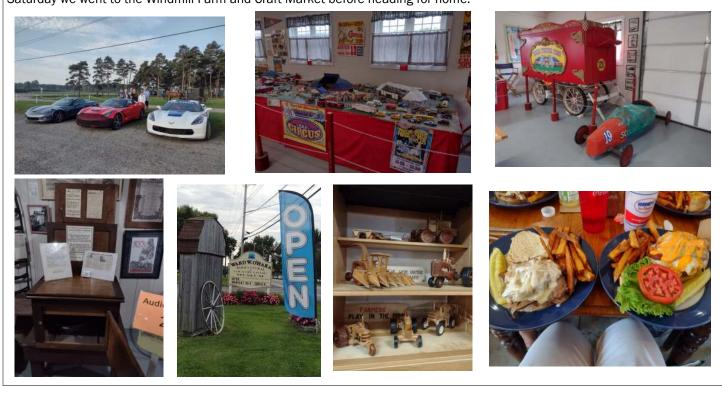
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Indiana, PA

2023 Ceramic Matrix Gray Coupe

******************** **Watkins Glen Trip**

On a beautiful day in September we had five cars make the drive to Watkins Glen. Upon our arrival we made our way to a winery for some wine tasting before heading to our hotel to check in. The hotel was very nice and we were able to walk from there to dinner and had time for some ice cream too. On Friday we visited the Ward O'Hara Agricultural Museum in Auburn, NY. This was a free museum with lots of farm equipment, circus displays, old time appliances and equipment. We all found it to be very interesting. The favorite was a display of wooden farm equipment that was very detailed. Everything in the museum was donated. If you are ever in the area we would highly recommend that you include a visit here in you itinerary. We had lunch at our favorite Amish store, bought some things to take home, and then went on to some other wineries and dinner. After passing the waterfalls we went back to one of the wineries to listen to some music while enjoying our wine and munching on popcorn. On Saturday we went to the Windmill Farm and Craft Market before heading for home.



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Upcoming Events-Vettes on the Boardwalk

SAVE THE DATE: The Free State Corvette Club is presenting Corvette Weekend October 14-15, 2022 in Ocean City Maryland.

Lynn Full has taken the lead in arranging a trip for the Club to attend this event this year. There will be multiple NCCC sanctioned car shows and Rallyes run concurrently from the Ocean City inlet. The highlight of the weekend is the Boardwalk Parade.

There are a few cars that have signed up to attend with Lynn but you are still welcome to join in the fun. If interested, please call Lynn at 724-325-3480 and she can fill you on more details.

If you are planning on joining in the fun, there is a hotel, The Clarion Resort Fontainebleau –Oceanfront, where there are rooms being held for this event. If you call to make reservation, mention that you're attending Corvette Weekend to get the special rate (based on availability).

Registration for the various events opens July 1st, so if you are going make sure to register as soon as possible to ensure a space since there are some space limitations. To register, go to:

www.corvetteweekend.com and click the blue "Registration is Open" graphic at the top of the page. Although the events don't actually start until the 14th, Lynn is planning on leaving on the 13th to avoid some of the heavy weekend traffic.



Fall Car Show Winners

C2 Class

1stGeorge Gross2ndJack Eidemiller3rdMichael Matzko

C3 Class

1st Wib Roth2nd Scott Spike3rd Bob Thompson

C4 Class

1stBob Mihalinac2ndJeff Harrison3rdJames Tucker

C5 Class

1st	Larry Shaffer
2nd	Steve Bachner
3rd	George Evanko

C6 Class

1stJay Troutman2ndBob Whitesides3rdBobby Thompson

C7 Class

1st	Sonja Parenti
2nd	Mike Greco
3rd	George Crouse

C8 Class

1stDennis Bohatch2ndMike Fedeles3rdDale Harrison

Fun Class

Phil Cassel Ken Rock Mike Diorio



Shorkey Car Show

On Sunday, September 18th, CCWP sponsored a Corvette show at Jim Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville. This was a judged show and trophies were awarded to the winners in 8 different categories. It was a beautiful day for a show and the Shorkey Auto Group did a great job in sponsoring this car show.

















General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

The September membership meeting was held was held at Oak Hollow Park in North Huntingdon. Ron Thomas call the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director's Reports

Membership-Allen Young

Membership numbers for 2022: 149 Members, 90 Families

Vice-President / Insurance- Ron Thomas

Insurance is paid.

Social-Vacant

We are looking for someone to take over this position. No one ran for this position in the recent election.

Events- Pat Hillyard

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

Ron gave a brief recap on Vince's condition after his recent surgery. Deb Cassel talked briefly about the upcoming trip to Watkins Glen later this month. She talked a little about some of the things she was planning for the trip. There were still 5 cars signed up at this time. Lynn Full talked a little more about the Vettes on the Boardwalk event she is leading. It is to be held in Ocean City, Maryland in October. Reservations for the events that weekend opened on July 1st. If anyone else is interested please contact Lynn and she can provide details. There are 5 cars signed up for that event at this time. She and a friend did a dry run early on September and came up with a few things in the area that those attending could do since they are going a day early and most of the organized events are on Saturday. Bob Whitesides went over the details for the upcoming car show at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville on September 18th. He asked for club members to volunteer to help with registration and to try to attend the show with their car.

Newsletter-Georgeann Young

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



"Let's really scare him. Let's park his Corvette somewhere else so he'll think it's stolen. We'll return it later."

New Business

We are still looking for ideas from members for events they would like to see scheduled and hopefully someone to help organize them. It was also announced that Vince was in the hospital and scheduled to have heart surgery, so he will be out of commission for a while.

Old Business

All the 60th Anniversary merchandise was given away at the Bowser car show.

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 have also changed.

Health and Welfare Committee-

No report.

Competition-Frank Paolo - No report.

WPCCC—Frank Paolo

No report

Website/Facebook

Brad Gray Is taking over the website. We also have a PayPal account set up to make it easier to pay for some of these things.

Treasurer-Mike Diorio

Mike Diorio gave the most recent Treasurer's report and it was approved by the members present.

Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.

The next membership meeting will be held at on Monday, October 10th and we are checking with Papa Rocks in Monroeville to see about using their banquet room for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned around 7:30 pm.

