

Flying Fiberglass

September
2024

Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania's

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Welcome Message

Summer is winding down and fall is just around the corner. That means different things to different people. For those people who like the changing leaves and the big holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas it is a good thing. To those of us who like to drive our Corvettes not so good, because fall means that we will soon have to put our cars in storage for the winter months.

Our annual picnic was held in August at Mt. Odin Golf Club and we had a pretty good turnout. The location is nice and we had great food too. Since this is one event that members who aren't around much often attend, it's always a good opportunity to catch up with some friends we only seem to see occasionally.

Gary Laughlin is still planning on taking a group to a show in Lancaster Ohio in September. It sounds like a fun time so you might want to consider joining in. It is an overnight trip but it sounds like there are other things planned for the participants. There is more information on that in this Newsletter.

We are also planning another fall car show. It is scheduled for Sunday, September 15th, at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville. There is a flyer in this Newsletter with details. We do need members to pitch in and help with parking, registration and judging. We also hope that our members will choose to participate by bringing their cars to the show.

The current Board has been in place for some time now 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 have had a couple of people come forward but there are still some positions that need to be filled. Please consider helping your club by offering to fill one of these openings.

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. The Board would like to send out a big **Thank You** to everyone who has participated in and helped at any of our events. Our members are the heart and soul of CCWP and we appreciate them. 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 next membership meeting will be held on Monday, September 9th, at Indian Lake Park. It will be another outdoor pizza meeting with the Club supplying the pizza. There was some pop and water left from our picnic in August and those beverages will be available or you can bring your own. The food should be there around 6:30 or so and the meeting will start at 7:00.

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


Misc.

VINTAGE GLASS

2024 EVENTS - GATHERING OF CORVETTES IN LANCASTER OHIO

Corvette Gathering XIX

19th Annual Ohio
Corvette Club Alliance
Corvette Gathering
Lancaster, OH
2024



On the road to Ohio's Largest All Corvette Show - September 8, 2024

Showtime: Sunday 10 - 3 Registration \$20

GPS: Use 130 S. Broad St., Lancaster, OH 43130 for entry point (S. Broad At Chestnut)

Commemorative event item to all registrants. Door Prizes, 50/50 drawings, DJ
National and local Corvette Vendors of Parts, Accessories, and Services
Historic Downtown Lancaster, Ohio. Shopping, Restaurants, Museums, Food Trucks
www.visitfairfieldcounty.org www.destinationdowntownlanaster.com
Lodging at Holiday Inn Express 740-654-4445 x0 "Ohio Alliance Corvette Club Block" Code: OAG
Other Hotels available in the area: Baymont 740-994-4874 Hampton Inn 740-654-2999

Special Saturday Events if you are in early. Contact us for details
Saturday events: Lunch, Road Tour & Evening Wine & Cheese Party @ Holiday Inn Express

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Sponsored by: Hugh White Chevrolet, Lancaster, OH www.HughWhiteChevy.com

For anyone who was not at the April meeting, Gary Laughlin has agreed to lead a group to the 19th annual Corvette Gathering in Lancaster, Ohio in September.

It's a one day cruise on Sept. 8th from 10 am to 3pm. Last year there were over 600 corvettes there.

We'll leave early Saturday morning and get to White Chevy for a sandwich lunch, then do a country drive or you can go to your motel to check in. Dinner on your own. There is a cheese and drink get together Sat. evening at the Holiday Inn. We'll leave about 8 am for the cruise. The cruise fee is \$20 and is paid at the cruise. There are restaurants, food trucks, a glass museum, and more in town. You can depart for home whenever you want.

Gary may try to meet up with some of the other clubs from the area for the drive to Lancaster. Be sure to let Gary know if you are planning to attend so he doesn't leave anyone behind.

If you are planning to go, you may want to make your hotel reservations as soon as possible because the Holiday Inn is already full

Gary's Phone #: 724-327-2169

Email: glough@comcast.net

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.

September Membership Meeting



The September membership meeting will be another outdoor pizza meeting. It is scheduled for Monday, September 9th, and will be held at Indian Lake Park, Seneca Pavilion. The Club will again provide the pizza, There are some beverages left from the August picnic that will also be available, or bring your own drink if you prefer. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm, but come early for some pizza and conversation with your fellow members Pizza should be there around 6:30.

So that we can have an idea of how many people we will have to buy pizza for, please let Allen Young know by Sunday, September 8th, if you are planning to attend this meeting.

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

Hope to see you there!

Museum News



The story of the creation of the National Corvette Museum is quite interesting. Members of the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) were looking to create a technical library for preserving Corvette related documents and literature. This idea grew into support for a museum, and the NCRS found valuable allies at Bowling Green Assembly Plant and the City's Chamber of Commerce, The NCRS accepted the city's donation of about 33 acres of land along Interstate 65 near the Corvette plant. Bowling Green was on its way to becoming the center of the Corvette world.

Now that the NCRS had their land for the museum, the next item to consider was what kind of building to erect. Several ideas were offered and discarded, and the one that stuck was a building with a sleek, curving exterior and an industrial shine. This design represents speed, innovation, and performance, themes that characterize the history of the Corvette. Its most iconic feature is the Skydome, Constructed in 1994 as part of the original Museum, the Skydome opened as the home of the Corvette Salon exhibit. Today it still serves as a place for exhibitions, receptions, and other special events. As plans for the Museum came together, architects wanted to add something that looked futuristic and easily recognizable. The Skydome's round shape complements the curvature of the museum building and even resembles the speedometer on a Corvette dashboard when viewed from overhead. Despite its name, the Skydome is not technically a dome. The structure consists of a conical base with the top portion of the cone removed, creating a sloped surface. This type of shape is referred to as a frustum. A red spire pierces the Skydome through the top of the frustum, reaching 128 feet high.

Don't forget the exhibit "Ground to Sky : The Sinkhole Reimagined" that is currently at the Museum. It is scheduled to end September 15th, so if you are interested there's not much time left for a visit.

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

September Birthdays



1st	Don Baker	9th	Mary Rish	17th	Frank Paolo
6th	Dean Lindsay	13th	Rich Zisek	22nd	William Callaghan
7th	Jan Hollabaugh	14th	Vicki Stasenکو	26th	Lynn Full
7th	Laurie Rhodes	16th	Bradley Gray	29th	Charlene Butala

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Annual Picnic



Upcoming 2023 Club Activities

Sept. 3, 2024	September Board Meeting
Sept. 7/8, 2024	Trip to Lancaster, Ohio
Sept. 9, 2024	September Membership Meeting
Sept. 15, 2024	CCWP Shorkey Corvette Show in Murrysville
Oct. 1, 2024	October Board Meeting
Oct. 14, 2024	October Membership Meeting
Oct. 11-13, 2024	Trip to Greenbrier

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

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

Upcoming Cruises

Plum American Legion Post 980-Plum Boro	Every Tuesday	5 Pm to dusk
Pittsburgh Mills-Tarentum	Every Wednesday	4 pm to dusk
Lamplighter -Delmont	Every Thursday	4 pm to dusk
Woodhaven Health & Rehab-Monroeville	Saturday, Sept. 7th	11 am to 3 pm
Glassport Community Classic Car Show	Saturday, Sept. 7th	11 am to 5 pm
Papa Rocks Annual Car Cruise for Charity	Sunday, Sept. 8th	noon to 4 pm
Chicora PA 22nd Annual Car Cruise	Saturday, Sept. 14th	4 pm to 9 pm
Frank Farina Memorial Car Cruise, Wexford	Saturday, Sept. 14th	2 pm to 6 pm

See CarCruises.com for more information and cruises

New Members – Allen Young



Welcome
New Members of the
Corvette Club of Western PA

Membership questions??

Contact Allen Young

412-372-7802

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ayoung1210@msn.com

Chet & Michelle Szymanski
Thomas & Rebecca Vincent

Allison Park, PA
Murrysville, PA

Looking for a C5
2023 Gray Convertible

Carlisle

Some of our members made the trip to the Carlisle Fairgrounds for the annual Corvette weekend in August. This year was the 50th Anniversary of the Fairgrounds so it was a good time to visit. Some of those who attended are members of the Grand Sport Club and they had some events for their members. There was a picnic Thursday evening at one of the member's houses. There was also a special guest, Mike Yager, the owner of Mid America Motorsports, who came to talk to us. Great fun for all!





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Fall
Corvette

Show



JIM SHORKEY MURRYSVILLE CHEVROLET
 6730 William Penn Hwy., Murrysville, PA 15668

Sunday, September 15th, 2024

Registration:

Pre-Registration through Sept. 8th, 2024

\$10/Mailed Pre-registration OR \$15/In-Person DAY OF SHOW

Includes coffee, donuts, and catered lunch. Vendors, Door Prizes, and more!

8am - Registration and Clean Up

11am - Judging and Show - Hoods Up

2pm - Trophies

Rain or Shine Event!

JUDGING CLASSES:

C1/C2: 1953 - 1967

C6: 2005 - 2013

C3: 1968 - 1982

C7: 2014 - 2019

C4: 1984 - 1996

C8: 2020 - CURRENT

C5: 1997 - 2004

FUN CLASS - NOT JUDGED



CERTIFIED SERVICE



Make Check Payable to: CCWP
Mail To: Allen Young
1210 Harvest Drive
Monroeville, PA 15146

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Pre-Registration through Sept. 8th, 2024
OR \$15/In-Person DAY OF SHOW

Includes coffee, donuts, and catered lunch. Vendors, Door Prizes, and more!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone #: _____ **Email:** _____

Year: _____ **Class:** _____ **Color:** _____

In consideration of attendance and/or participation in this event, sponsored by JIM SHORKEY CHEVROLET/CCWP, I/We acknowledge that I/we have liability insurance on the participating car(s) as that is a requirement of attendance/participation. Also as a requirement of attendance and/or participation, I/we release, indemnify and hold harmless the Event Coordinator, Owners, and Employees of Jim Shorkey/CCWP from any and all claims, causes of action, property damages, judgements, lawsuits, and injuries whether known or unknown for any reason whatsoever as a result of my attendance and/or participation or the attendance and/or participation of my guests before, during, and after this event.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Rain or Shine Event!

Fall
Corvette
Show



General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

August , 2024

The August meeting was held at our annual picnic at Mt. Odin Golf Club in Greensburg on Sunday, August 11. The meeting was called to order around 2:00 pm by Thom Shepler. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Membership numbers for 2024: 89 Families, 140 members.
Allen has also agreed to spearhead the Car Show set ups for the Club.

Vice-President / Insurance— Brad

Insurance is paid.

Social— Charlene Butala

Charlene did a great job with the picnic. She organized some of the members and their wives and had them bake cookies for desert at the picnic. Food was great too.

Events— Vacant**Please check the Website and our Facebook page-they have all the activities and details.**

We discussed the fall show at Shorkey's in Murrysville. The date is set for Sunday, September 15th. Shorkey has agreed to provide lunch as well as still provide some door prizes. We are looking for members to help the day of the show. We need help with parking, registration, and judging.

Gary Laughlin is still planning on leading a couple members to a car show in Lancaster, Ohio in September for the annual Corvette gathering there, sponsored by Ohio Corvette Club Alliances.

A change in location for our monthly membership meetings was discussed. Charlene had contacted Hoss' in Murrysville about having our meetings there and they said we could, as long as anyone who attended and didn't eat agreed to pay \$5. We discussed this briefly and took a vote and the members agreed to give Hoss a try, so our October meeting will be held there.

Charlene had also contacted Lakeview in Greensburg about our After-Xmas party. Since they are currently up for sale, they did not want to commit to anything yet, and asked her to check back. We may have to look for a new venue for that event.

Newsletter—Georgeann Young

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



*"Our neighbor is at the door.
You only washed your Corvette 5 days
this week, so he's concerned."*

New Business

The current treasurer, Mike Diorio, had informed the Board at the August meeting that he was going to step down, but would stay until the After-Xmas party to give the Club time to find a replacement. Charlene was looking at the possibility of leaving her Social position and agreed to step in for Mike as treasurer. That again leaves us without a Social chair.

Old Business

We still have several Board positions that are open and we would like to see someone step up to fill them

SPECIAL REPORTS**Historical Committee — Frank Paolo**

No report.

Museum—

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.

WPCCC—Frank Paolo

No report

Website/Facebook

Brad Gray is taking over the website and has updated the site. Brad has said that anyone who has an event that they would like put on the website to let him know. He is also looking to load photos of members cars if they have one to submit to him.

Treasurer—Mike Diorio

Mike Diorio gave the report for July, 2024 and it was approved by those present..

Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.

The next membership meeting will be held Monday, September 9th, at Indian Lake Park.



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