



# **The Gas Cap**

**June 2024**



A Monthly Publication of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The weather is starting to be in the 70's & 80's which is great weather to start driving our Corvettes, but it seems that almost every Saturday this year it has rained. The May Cruise night was canceled due to 'Guess What', yes rain but let's be positive and hope that is the last Cruise night to be canceled. The June Cruise night will be on the 3rd Sunday instead of a Saturday.

The April GM meeting had a very good turnout. The 'Golden Shaft' award was presented to **Candy Merlino** for doing a great job hosting the April Cruise night. When it came time to talk about future activities the membership should be very pleased this year with what is being planned. **Joe Parente** in his new role didn't waste any time making phone calls and planning trips for the club to participate in. My father was a WWII veteran and as of now I am planning to make the trip to Reading to see the WW II reenactment and vintage planes.

To give a brief update on CECF, the CCDV steering committee met with members of the CECF Board twice in May concerning the future of the Foundation. Also on the call was Steve Howard, the attorney who played a significant role in the startup of the foundation. The meetings went well and were very productive in discussing what can be done to keep the foundation operational. With two CECF Board members stepping down at the end of the year leaving only one Board member, it was decided that the CCDV Board officers can parallel the role of the CECF Board until there are new elected officers for the foundation. The CECF by-laws do not have to be changed but the CCDV by-laws will need to be changed and voted on by the club membership. More details will be forthcoming.

On a sad note, this month **Russell Parker** passed away. Russell was a long-time and very loyal member of our club who for years was the publisher of the Gas Cap, the club's business cards and flyers. The club passes on our condolences to the family.

On another sad note **Charlie Millstein** also passed away. Charlie was President and Vice President of CECF and was a major contributing factor to our charitable organization.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

His input and understanding were instrumental in the success of the foundation. The club sends our deepest sympathy to Myrna and his family.

The **June** General Membership will be at the **Warminster VFW** on the **19<sup>th</sup>** starting at **7:00 pm.**

I wish you and your families the best.

Ed



Candy Merlino receives the  
Golden Shaft Award



# WELCOME NEW CCDV MEMBERS!

## Welcome!!

Jordan Strassman – 2021 Rapid Blue HTC

## Total Members to date - 274!!\*

*This represents the club's roster after the annual renewal period and is typical.  
Approximately 44 members did not renew or respond.*



Jordan Strassman – 2021 Rapid Blue HTC  
(Jordan is on the left.)

## Member Name Tags

**\$20.00 Each**

**Must Pay at Time of Order**

**Contact: Candy Merlino**

**(215) 779-9454**

# CCDV BOARD MINUTES



## HIGHLIGHTS FROM CCDV BOARD MEETING May 9, 2024

General Membership Meetings will start at 7:00pm.

**New Treasurer in training** – Jeff Kauf – Official handoff in July

Activities – Activities – John B. / Candy M.

- Joe P -- new activity chairperson to book day events/trips – like an upcoming event on June 7th to a WWII air show. Joe has put a committee together and they will work on planning trips – like covered bridge tour, Tail of the Dragon runs, and others like that.
- **Sunday, May 12th** - Mother's Day Breakfast at Break Time Family Restaurant & Diner @ 9:30am – location 41 York Rd, Warminster, PA 18974
- **Saturday, May 18th** – Cruise Night @ 5pm – dusk
- **Sunday, June 9th** – Breakfast @ Ben & Irv's @ 9:30am (ending in time for those who will be Cavalcade judges to head over to Bryner's for training class at noon).
- **Saturday, June 15th** – Dinner at Giovanni's on York Rd @ 6pm
- **Sunday, June 16th** – Father's Day Cruise Night @ 5pm

**Membership** – • Total number of members – 275 – About 44 not responding or renewing

### CCDV Name Tags

Please contact Candy Merlino – [cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com)

New Members – get your name tags.

New Car - get your new name tag.

Tags are \$20.00 each, at least three orders are needed to send to the Company.

### CCDV License Plates

Anyone interested in purchasing a Club License Plate,

please contact: Tim Simmons - [tasimmons@gmail.com](mailto:tasimmons@gmail.com)

Regular CCDV Plate - \$38.00; Personalized CCDV Plate - \$166.00

# CCDV BOARD & COMMITTEES

## Club Leadership:

### President:

Ed Bonk (267) 253-7460

### Vice President:

Tom Weigand

### Treasurer:

Jeff Kauf

### Recording Secretary:

Candy Merlino

### Corporate Secretary:

Dennis Traves

## Board Membership

Chairperson: *vacant*

Johnny "Bacon" Benischeck

Jacques Etkowicz

Rose Ferrante

Ang Grippo

Zach Hamada

Kerry Duke

Caryn Fischetti

Silvio Tino

## Gas Cap Editor:

Evan Stone [gascap@ccdvd.com](mailto:gascap@ccdvd.com)

## Public Relations:

Dennis Levitt & Rose Ferrante

## Website:

Tom Weigand [webmaster@ccdvd.com](mailto:webmaster@ccdvd.com)

## Committees:

### Activity Chairperson:

Joe Parente

### Cavalcade Chairpersons for 2024:

Candy Merlino & Tom Weigand

### Club Store Chairperson:

Frank Kitchen

### Cruise Night Chairpersons:

Candy & Chris Merlino

### Nametag Chairperson:

Candy Merlino

### National Corvette Museum

#### Ambassador:

Jack DeLong

### Technical Chairperson

Joe Parente

### Membership Chairperson

Tim Simmons

## CCDV 2024 Wall Calendar



2024 CCDV Wall Calendars are now available for purchase (\$12.00 each).  
Calendar measures 18" high x 12" wide, when open.  
You can buy one at our next General Meeting June 19<sup>th</sup>.



# Cavalcade 2024 – **We need your help!**

## **Volunteers Wanted!**

CCDV Needs members to help the Cavalcade (scheduled for 9-14-24) in the following areas. Please consider getting involved. You'll meet lots of nice people who also love Corvettes.

### 1) Judges:

- We need approx. 2-4 more volunteers to be Judges at our Cavalcade in Sept.
- Training will be provided by experienced members of the Allentown Area Corvette Club
- Training will begin in a few weeks on May 11<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup>.
- This is not NCRS-level judging, so you don't need to be an expert
- Experience with C4, C6, C7, C8 Vettes would be helpful
- You'll be judging Non-CCDV Corvettes only

### 2) Parking Assistants:

- We need folks to spend about 1-2 hour shifts to help direct traffic & parking for spectators & Corvettes at the show.
- You get to wear a cool brightly colored vest & carry a red flag

### 3) Food Sales:

- We need folks to help sell food at Cavalcade (Hot dogs, water, pretzels, etc)
- Volunteer for as long or little as you want

### 4) Setup/Breakdown:

- We need folks to help setup & breakdown tables, chairs, tents, & supplies before & after our show

### 5) Advertising/Sponsors:

- It would be a huge help if members could help spread the word about our monthly Cruise Nights & our yearly Cavalcade
- We have flyers & Posters available to distribute
- If you know of a local business that may want to sponsor our show, please speak up

### 6) Auction Items:

- Please look around for any items that you can donate to our Charity Auction
- A hundred or so baskets are auctioned each year at our show & the proceeds are donated to local charities.

**Contact:** Candy ([cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com)), Zach ([zhamada@comcast.net](mailto:zhamada@comcast.net)),  
Jeff ([kauf.jeff@gmail.com](mailto:kauf.jeff@gmail.com)), Tom ([webmaster@ccdvd.com](mailto:webmaster@ccdvd.com))

**2025 CAVALCADE -TAKE THE SURVEY! When should we hold it?**

**– Late June or Late September – VOTE NOW**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZT3LG8>



# 2024 Cavalcade of Corvettes

<https://www.ccdv.com/cavalcade-of-corvettes/>

## Corvette Club of Delaware Valley presents the 2024 Cavalcade of Corvettes



**Date:** Saturday, September 14, 2024 (Rain Date: Sat, Sept 28, 2024)

**Time:** 10am – 3pm (Registration starts @ 8am)

**Location:** Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (MBIT)  
2749 York Rd, Jamison, PA 18929 (go to [www.mbit.org](http://www.mbit.org) for directions)

### New Judging Format for 2024:

For Non-CCDV Members: Trophies Awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class (Stock or Modified, C1 thru C8), also Best in Show, Sunshine Foundation, Veteran's Choice (chosen by a Vet), Kids Choice Best License Plate, \$100 for Best Club Participation

For CCDV Members: 10 Trophies will be awarded based upon participant voting.

(Early departures forfeit trophy \* No Alcohol Permitted on premises)

\*Free to Spectators \* Music \* Food \* Charity Auction \* 50/50 Prizes \* Kids Activities \* Indoor Restrooms \* Over 200 Corvettes on display \* Vendor Spaces Available\*



Partial proceeds benefit local charities

**\*\*Enter your Corvette\*\***

Registration Form Available at: [www.ccdv.com/cavalcade-of-corvettes](http://www.ccdv.com/cavalcade-of-corvettes)

Or contact Penelope Hunt @ ([cocregistration@ccdvd.com](mailto:cocregistration@ccdvd.com))

\$20 Pre-registration / \$25 Day of Registration

Free T-shirt to all pre-registered participants

# CCDV Roving Breakfast

## Join Us for **BREAKFAST!**

Sunday, June 9, 2024

At 9:30 AM

### **Ben & Irv's**

1962 County Line Road  
Justa Farm Shopping Center  
Huntingdon Valley, PA

*Rain or Shine*

RSVP by 3 PM on 6/07/24 to  
Johnny Bacon at (215) 208-6620

OR

Respond on the CCDV Website's Forum

A big thank you and a "Tip O' The Hat" to **Jeff & Julie Kauf**,  
who recommended this eatery!

Hope to see you there!  
Johnny Bacon!

# CCDV Roving Dinner

Join Us for **DINNER!**

Saturday, June 15, 2024

At 6:00 PM

**Giovanni's Pizza**

2190 York Road  
Jamison, PA 18929

*Rain or Shine*

RSVP by 3 PM on 6/14/24 to  
Johnny Bacon at (215) 208-6620

OR

Respond on the CCDV Website's Forum

A BIG Thank You and a "Tip O' The Hat" to **Kevin & Annamarie Allen**,  
who recommended this Eatery!

**Hope to see you there!**  
**Johnny Bacon!**

## CCDV Roving Dinner Panache Woodfire Grille - Sunday May 5, 2024

Jeff & Julie Kauf had scoped out a new restaurant in Blue Bell for our May dinner. Panache Woodfire Grill offers a full Italian menu with a full bar in a casual-chic setting, complete with white tablecloths and napkins.

The menu was extensive, and our group ordered varied entrees. Everyone agreed that the food was excellent. The conversation and laughter were animated, and loud at times, as everyone enjoyed themselves. Our group was small, probably because we were eating on a Sunday instead of our usual Saturday...and my Kathy was sick. (Now that the nice weather is here, there are many things to do every weekend.) Nonetheless, the seven of us had a great time. We were all able to sit at one semi-round table and share in the same conversation. The magnificent seven were: Jeff & Julie Kauf, Clifton & Evelyn Hamilton, Paul McMullin & Barbara Blenheim, and me.

On SATURDAY, June 15th we'll dine at Giovanni's Pizza Restaurant in Jamison at 6:00pm. I hope to see you there.

### Johnny Bacon



## CCDV Roving Breakfast American Star Diner - April 13, 2024

The American Star Diner is located at 1200 Welsh Road in North Wales, PA. Eighteen hungry CCDVers drove and met up at our breakfast party. The management set aside three long tables so that we could all eat in one section of the restaurant.

The breakfast choices were many and delicious, and everyone had a terrific time! The laughs and smiles were constant! These monthly Roving Breakfasts are a great way for new members to try an activity and to make new friends with the great bunch of fun members in this club.

The high point of my day was when Jeff Kauf surprised me.... by purchasing a "Don't Go BACON My Heart" T-shirt and presenting it to me - on behalf of the Club! After I modeled the shirt (to the cheers of our group), Eileen Matlack embroidered "Johnny Bacon" in a beautiful matching gold script on the front. (Now no one can steal my shirt! LOL) Thanks Again Jeff & Everyone!! The 18 attending CCDVers were:

Steve & Sue Magurah.....and.....Eileen & Denny Matlack  
Linda Zacks.....and..... Julie & Jeff Kauf  
Joan & Kevin Allen.....and.....Fran & Barry Hunsicker  
Chis & Jeff Biscardi.....and.....Stan & Maryann Fisher  
Paul McMullin & Barbara Blenheim...and...Johnny Bacon

On SUNDAY, June 9th we'll have breakfast at BEN & IRV'S in Huntingdon Valley at 9:30am. I hope that you can make it.

**Johnny Bacon**

# CCDV Roving Breakfast American Star Diner - April 13, 2024



# CCDV CALVACADE CHARITY AUCTION 2024

## CAVALCADE CHARITY AUCTION 2024

We are now accepting donations for our upcoming  
**Charity Auction Event on September 14th.**

If you have new, unopened, unused items that we can put into our auction and would like to donate them we could sure use it/them!

Think of it as Spring cleaning or practice for downsizing  
If you have a business and can donate a service or gift card, that's great, too!

Vendors are very generous to our Charity Auction every year and we appreciate everyone's help to make this year's event successful.

### List of some ideas to get you thinking.

Bottles of wine/ other alcohol and/or glasses or other stuff to go with

Memorabilia /apparel (signed or unsigned) - sports or car related

Models of cars / die cast models (either corvette or not)

Tickets to sporting or concert events

Car care supplies/ car cleaning supplies

Restaurant Gift card/certificates -for either specific services or \$ amounts

Designer handbags / wallets / tote bags

Pet store gift cards / toys & treats for pets

Tools or tool sets

Tailgate party themed basket

BBQ themed basket

Adult coloring books and supplies basket

Large wicker/plastic baskets or trays – to group items in – always on the lookout for these

Bring collected items to the Club meetings or Cruise Nights to give to Candy Merlino no later than the **August 21st meeting** call/text Candy at 215-779-9454 or email @ [cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

Let's make this year even better than last year!

Thanks in advance - Candy

# CCDV CALVACADE CHARITY AUCTION 2024

## CAVALCADE CHARITY AUCTION 2024

Here are some Themed Basket Ideas – but individual items are still welcome!!!



Now accepting donations for our Charity Auction Event on September 14th.  
Bring items to Club meetings or Cruise Nights to give to Candy –NO later than August meeting.

If you have any questions - call/text Candy at 215-779-9454 or [cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com)

Let's make this year even better than last year!



# HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS!



| <b>First name</b> | <b>Last name</b> | <b>Date</b> |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| James             | Contoudis        | 2           |
| Tom               | Smith            | 2           |
| Ulla              | Kukora           | 2           |
| David             | Sinn             | 7           |
| June              | Kramer           | 9           |
| Joseph            | Gries            | 10          |
| Paul              | Doerflein        | 13          |
| Jim               | Pauley           | 13          |
| Brian             | Canty            | 14          |
| Matt              | Kramer           | 15          |
| Lance/Chip        | Miller           | 15          |
| Paul              | DeMeester        | 19          |
| Charlie           | Milstein         | 19          |
| Kenneth           | Lynch            | 20          |
| Pete              | Carroll          | 22          |
| Ed                | Bonk             | 23          |
| Kerry             | Duke             | 27          |

## MY CORVETTE STORY – Zach Hamada

My Corvette Story is dedicated to the personal stories of our members. If you have a story to share, please submit it to the Gas Cap email address at [gascap@ccdvt.com](mailto:gascap@ccdvt.com). I am always looking for content and welcome all suggestions.

My relationship with corvettes began when I was in grade school and one of my older sisters had a friend that was an active military member during the Vietnam war. He had a C2. I do not know what year it was as at the time, the only thing I knew about the car was that it looked cool. He lived in an apartment building that was on my way to school so I would see the car in the parking lot most days. I would tell all my friends that my sister's friend owned the car, and he was in the army.

When I became driving age, I had a Pontiac Trans Am as my best friend's father owned a Pontiac dealership. I remember seeing my sister's friend at a party and struck up a conversation with him about cars as I remembered him for his car. When I told him proudly that I had a Trans Am he just shook his head and said I needed to get the bird and all that s..t off my car. Needless to say, I was devastated.

Years later I sold the Pontiac and purchased my first vette. Not because of what he said, I was over that, but because I just really liked the car. It was a 1970 4 speed convertible with a hard top. I absolutely loved that car, and the cat calls I got from the girls when I was driving it. I was 20 at the time so I did a lot of the work on the car myself. It was an AC car that I never used so of course I stripped all that equipment off the car and subsequently lost it, UGH. I sold the car for the exact amount I paid for it, \$3,000. I thought that was great. Of course, today, like many other vette owners I wished I had never parted with that car.

Since then, I have owned a 50th anniversary convertible, a 1960 fairly original, except for paint and my present 2021. When I feel it is time to scratch the itch, I sometimes feel, I will look for a 68 to 72 that I can restomod or find one already done. But that is a story for another day,

# MY CORVETTE STORY – Zach Hamada





## NEWSWORTHY

The Eastern Center for Arts and Technology awards ceremony was held on the 22nd of May and presented by **Tim Simmons** at the Upper Moreland High School Auditorium.

**Michael Brown** and **Theodore Stadanlick** received this year's CECF scholarship award of \$2,100 each to continue their education in automotive repair and collision technology. Theodore will attend PA College of Technology and Michael will attend the Automotive Training Center (ATC).



### Automotive Technology

#### Michael Brown

- Corvette Club of Delaware Valley Award
  - Presented by *Tim Simmons*
- Sean C. Burke Founding Partner of Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors Memorial Scholarship
  - Presented by the *Burke and Sena families*



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### Collision Repair Technology

#### Theodore Stadanlick

- EASTERN Foundation Award
- Straight A
- Student of the Month for January
- Corvette Club of Delaware Valley Award
  - Presented by *Tim Simmons*
- Jamie Brett Memorial Award
  - Presented by the *Brett Family*



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## NEWSWORTHY - EVENT

### Mid-Atlantic Air Museum's WWII Weekend

The Mid-Atlantic Air Museum's World War II Weekend: A Gathering of Warbirds has become the premier event of its kind. For over three decades, we honor our history through D-Day remembrance, vehicle & aircraft displays and shows, war Veterans & speakers, vendors & demonstrations, battles & flights education, the Homefront education, re-enactors: at war and at home, and big bands & swing dancing.

WWII Weekend is always held every year on the first full weekend (including Friday) in June.

We will be meeting at 8:00am at the Home Depot 2250 Easton Rd, Willow Grove, Pa 19090. We will leave at 7:30 for the show. Admission 3-day pass: 126.00, **adult one day pass \$42 and children \$21.00, 10 and under are free.** Handicap parking available, food concessions. [MAAM WWII Weekend \(readingairport.org\)](http://readingairport.org) Check out the link to the website. All members and family are invited to attend. Please contact Joe Parente to let me know if you are interested in this activity. at [ccd@mortontowing.com](mailto:ccd@mortontowing.com). Thank you!

**Contact:** Joseph Parente

**Email:** [CCDV@mortontowing.com](mailto:CCDV@mortontowing.com)

**Phone:** 6108426648





# NEWSWORTHY - Travel

## **Corvette Club of Delaware Valley**

**If you want to take a Cruise and your Corvette is away for the Winter  
Come with us for a Winter Get Away in the Caribbean  
February 2 – 9, 2025**

**For every Cabin sold Fillmore Travel will donate \$50.00 to  
CECF the Charitable Foundation of CCDV**

**Sailing Roundtrip from Phila. to San Juan, Puerto Rico**

### **“Norwegian Viva”**



**\*Balcony Sea View Cabin, Category BB -Base Fare \$2,400.00per person  
(Based on Double Occupancy) \$4800.00**

**SPACE IS LIMITED!**

#### **Ports of Call**

**San Juan, Puerto Rico, Punta Cana (La Romana), Dominican Republic, Oranjestad, Aruba, Willemstad,  
Curacao, Kralendiik, Bonaire, Castries, St Lucia, Basseterre, St Kitts,  
San Juan Puerto Rico**

#### **Cruise Includes:**

- 1. Airfare from PHL w/possible stopovers & Transfers (2<sup>nd</sup> guest Air is free)**
- 2. Ultimate Beverage Package (unlimited bar drinks)**
- 3. All Meals, plus 2 Specialty Dinner**
- 4. \$50.00 Credit per Cabin, per Port towards excursion**
- 5. Internet Package w/150 Minutes per person**
- 6. All Gratuities, Taxes and Fees Included**

**\*\*Deposit due (based on double occupancy) \$125.00 per person (\$250.00 per cabin)**

**Deposits are now being accepted!**

**\*\*All Deposits are Fully Refundable by September 23., 2024**

**Final Payment due by September 23, 2024**

**(This offer cannot be combined with any other special offer, promos, etc.)**

**Please note that this costing is strictly subject to changes due to any unforeseen increases in fuel prices,  
government levies & any other influencing factors.**

**(NCL has the right to discontinue air promo of 2<sup>nd</sup> person free at any time until Deposit is received.)**

**Prices & Promos are not guaranteed until under Deposit.**

**Travel Insurance Highly Recommended! Cabins are Filling up fast get yours now!**

**Come Join the Fun Everyone is Welcome**

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Mary Jane Gulisano  
215-663-1943 Email: [mjgtravell34@aol.com](mailto:mjgtravell34@aol.com)

**Contact: Barb 267-731-7116 Call or Text 215-510-2038**  
**Email: [hgrippo.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:hgrippo.ccdv@yahoo.com)**

May 7, 2024



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## **Corvette Club of Delaware Valley Cruise to the Mediterranean April 10-22, 2025**

**For every Cabin sold Fillmore Travel will donate \$100.00 to  
CECF the Charitable Foundation of CCDV  
Sailing from Rome 4/10/2025 and ending in Venice 4/22/2025**

### **"The Norwegian Dawn"**



**\*Balcony Sea View Cabin, Category BA – Base Fare 4,327.50  
per person (Based on Double Occupancy) \$8,655.00**

#### **Ports of Call**

**Rome (Civitavecchia) Italy, Florence/Pisa (Livorno), Italy, Naples-Italy, Messina (Sicily)  
Italy, Valletta-Malta, Siracusa (Sicily) Italy, Corfu-Greece, Sarande-Albania,  
Kotor-Montenegro, Dubrovnik-Croatia, Split-Croatia, Venice (Trieste) Italy**

#### **Cruise Includes:**

- 1. Airfare from PHL, w/possible stopovers & Transfers (2<sup>nd</sup> guest Air is free)**
- 2. Premium Beverage Package**
- 3. All Meals, PLUS 3 Specialty Dinners**
- 4. \$50.00 Credit per Cabin (1<sup>st</sup> guest), per Port towards excursion**
- 5. Internet Package w/300 Minutes per person**
- 6. All Gratuities, Taxes & Fees included.**
- 7. No deviations permitted on cruise airfare. If you do your own airfare or custom air, refund for cruise air will be deducted from invoice and transfers will not be included**

**\*\*Deposit due (based on double occupancy) \$125.00 per person (\$250.00 per cabin)**

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Mary Jane Gulisano

215-663-1943 Email: [mjctravel134@aol.com](mailto:mjctravel134@aol.com)

**Contact: Barb to book your Cabin**

**Any Questions: Call 267-731-7116 Call or Text 215-510-2038**

**Email: [hgrippe.ccdv@yahoo.com](mailto:hgrippe.ccdv@yahoo.com)**

May 7, 2024



# NEWSWORTHY - Travel

## **Corvette Club of Delaware Valley Cruise to Hawaii 2025**

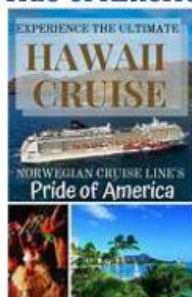
**Join us on the "Pride of America!"**

**August 30, 2025 to September 6, 2025  
(Extensions possible)**

**For every Cabin sold Fillmore Travel will donate \$50.00 to  
CECF the Charitable Foundation of CCDV**

**Sailing Roundtrip from Honolulu, Hawaii**

**"Pride of America"**



**\*Balcony Sea View Cabin, Category BB - \$3,542.00 per person  
(Based on Double Occupancy) \$7,084.00**

**SPACE IS LIMITED!**

**Prices and availability subject to change!**

### **Ports of Call**

**Honolulu Oahu, Kahului Maui, Kahului, Maui, Hilo, Hawaii, Kona, Hawaii, Nawiliwili, Kona,  
Nawiliwili, Kona, Honolulu, Oahu**

### **Cruise Includes:**

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**Contact: Barb Grippo to book your Cabin or any Questions:**

**Call or Text: 215-510-2038**

**Email: [Barbarag10474@gmail.com](mailto:Barbarag10474@gmail.com)**

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## NEWSWORTHY Corvette Bash

Here are a few photos from our recent trip to the Bowling Green, event called the Bash. Jack DeLong, NCM Ambassador

**Photo #1:** Corvettes gather at the Lawn Service Plaza, Pennsylvania Turnpike, start of the Corvette Caravan to Bowling Green, Kentucky

**Photo #2:** Rest stop just after entering West Virginia, overnight at the Hampton Inn, Barboursville, WV

**Photo#3:** Me posing with General Dan Cherry in front of the F-4 Phantom that he flew over North Viet Nam in the famous dog fight with an experienced North Vietnamese pilot, and whom he was able to connect with many years later and detailed in his book: "My Enemy, My Friend"

**Photo#4:** Imagine the whole NCM parking lot and all Corvettes

**Photo#5: T. Wayne and Pattie Lankford** donation of their beautiful 1970 Corvette to the NCM

**Photo#6:** The NCM Racing Banquet, with representatives from Pratt & Miller as principle speakers

**Photo#7:** Dor with the "NCM MAINTENANCE & VEHICLE PRESERVATION SUPERVISOR", Dan Garrett with our 1966 Corvette that was donated to the NCM in 2023 after 43 years with us, second owners.

**Photo #7: T. Wayne and Pattie** with their C8 and members of the Skyline Drive Corvette Club, Rich and Sue Snyder members of our Corvette Caravan , in front of the NCM

**Photo#8:** Dor with our 2022 C8 in front of the NCM, Bowling Green, Kentucky

Pictures from the BASH, Bowling Green, Ky, total miles 1,675

Jack DeLong

Pictures on following page starting with Photo 1 from top left to right.



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Club member, Chris Merlino winning a top 40 trophy from car show on Sunday May 26th, put on by the Movin' On KruZers Car Club.

**LOOKING FOR CLUB EVENTS?**  
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## JOEL'S JOLLIES



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# In Memoriam

## Paying Tribute To Members Who Have Passed

### **Charlie Milstein**

5/26/24

*I would like everyone to know that Charlie as our President and Vice of CECF was a major contributing factor to our charitable organization. His input and understanding were instrumental in the success of that foundation. From our Corvette club, we send our deepest sympathy to Myrna and his family and friends.*

*Joe Parente*

### **Russell Parker**

*Russell was a long-time and very loyal member of our club who for years was the publisher of the Gas Cap, the club's business cards and flyers. The club passes on our condolences to the family.*



The next page is a flyer that all club members can print & provide to non-club members.



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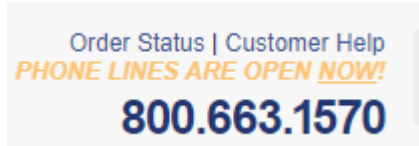



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