

The Gas Cap September 2024



A Monthly Publication of the Corvette Club of Delaware Valley

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The summer is almost over, and I hope everyone had a great summer with their families and friends. I spent the last weekend of **August** at the **'Corvettes at Carlisle'** event. On **Friday** I was again invited to attend the celebrity luncheon and then I go out to the **'Fun Field'** and pick a Corvette that I like. The owner is given an award plaque on Saturday. I picked a **C7** that had Eagles, and a flag air brushed under the hood, very patriotic. I also had a chance to see and take pictures of the **2025 ZR1** Turbo Charger that has **1064** horsepower. No price is decided yet. Wow, can you imagine driving that car. I stay downtown at the **Comfort Suites**. The Corvette parade Saturday night had **425** vettes in the parade. There's also a band that sings and play music from different years. Although I had a great time, I'm not sure I'm going again next year. I've done this for **20** years and it's taking a toll on me walking the fairgrounds and not getting much sleep.

The **VFW** has a new Post Commander who has set some stiff rules on nonmembers buying alcohol. I was told he wants to make money for the post. I'm not sure what that means. I want to meet with him soon. I'll keep everyone posted.

The Ocean City Boardwalk Corvette show is September 8th, and we have 34 club members registered but 2 members cannot make it which means we have 2 open position that can be filled. If you are interest call me. For those who are going we plan on meeting at the Frank Farley service plaza at 7:15 am and leaving at 7:45 am. We will then proceed to the Josie Kelly restaurant in Sommers Point and meet there around 8:15 am before proceeding to the 5th street staging area in Ocean City. Call me if you have any questions (267-253-7460)

I am also looking for volunteers to help with our big Corvette show, the 'Cavalcade of Corvettes' on Saturday September 14th at the Middle Bucks Institute of Technology in Jamison. Contact myself or any Board member to volunteer.

The **CECF** situation has changed as **Barb Grippo** will assume the role as President until the end of the year.

The **September** General Membership will be at the **Warminster VFW** on the **18th** starting at **7:00 pm**.

I wish you and your families the best Ed

CCDV BOARD ELECTIONS

2025 is just around the corner...feel like getting involved?

CCDV elections will be held on Wednesday, November 20th at our General Membership Meeting. If you would like to run for a position on the **CCDV** or **CECF** Board, you must <u>submit your intention in writing</u> to a member of the nominating committee. Your intentions to run for any of the open positions (8 CCDV board member positions) must be received no later than Sunday, September 30th, to have your name included on the printed ballots. All candidates' names received by the deadline will also be published in the October Gas Cap.

There are also positions on the CECF board open for election. If you are interested in serving on the CECF Board your name must be submitted in writing to the nominating committee by September 30 as well. The CECF positions are voted on by the CCDV board at the November Board Meeting

The nominating committee contacts are Candy Merlino, cmerlino.ccdv@yahoo.com or Rose Ferrante, rferrante@fonnerinsurance.com

If you would like to run for the office of CCDV President, you must not only submit your name by Sept 30, but the names of the 4 officers on your slate as well (VP, Treas, Secretary & Recording Secretary)

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Rose Ferrante; 215-343-5552 (home).

Thank you!

Rose Ferrante, Nominating Committee



WELCOME NEW CCDV MEMBERS!

Welcome!!

Samantha Munson – 2014 Red Z06
Chris Harmon – 2024 Silver Coupe
Mike Burke – 2014 Black Coupe
George & Carol Batejan - 2024 Firemist Red
Robert VanHouten – 2015 Gray Coupe

Total Members to date - 287!!







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 August 8, 2024

General Membership Meetings will start at 7:00pm.

Activities - Activities - John B. / Candy M.

- Sunday, September 8th Boardwalk of Corvettes
- Saturday, September 14th Cavalcade of Corvettes 8am 3pm
- Saturday, September 21st Last Cruise Night of the Season 5pm Dusk
- Saturday, September 28th Cavalcade Rain Date
- Saturday, October 5th Club Picinic at Jim & Edie Doan's
- Saturday, December 7th Holiday Party @ Spring Mill Country Club

Membership - • Total number of members – 281

CCDV Name Tags

Please contact Candy Merlino – 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: Jeff Kauf - kauf.jeff@gmail.com
Regular CCDV Plate - \$38.00; Personalized CCDV Plate - \$.00

Hey there! It's

Cavalcade Time!

Cavalcade registered yet?

Are You registered

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 Trayes

Board Membership

Chairperson: vacant

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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 (215) 582-6750

CCDV 2025 Wall Calendar

WE NEED PICTURES!

It's car show season and good weather cruising time! Let's see those corvettes!

- The club plans to build a **CCDV Wall Calendar** each year.
- Sales of the calendar will help to pay various club expenses (insurance, hall rental, website, etc.)
- The calendar is 18" Long x 12" Wide (when open).
- We encourage all club members to submit a photo of their Corvette for inclusion in the Calendar.
- Submitted photos will also be placed onto our website.
- Here are some Rules of Thumb for your photos:
 - Include your complete name & year of Corvette (ie: John Smith 1992 LT-1).
 - Be aware of the background in your photo (try to exclude trash cans, poles, vehicles, fences, random people, parking lots lines, large shadows, etc).
 - Don't point your camera towards the sun (best to have the sun at your side).
 - Watch for excessive sun glare on your windshield or chrome.
 - Keep windows down to prevent reflection or glare
 - A "closed hood" looks better & requires less print space than an "open hood" photo.
 - Verify your email address hasn't changed since joining the club. This information must stay current.
 - For the 2025 Calendar, please submit a new or different photo of your Vette. We won't be re-using old photos. If you submit a photo, it will be in the calendar.
- Email 1 or 2 of your favorite photos to: webmaster@ccdv.com. Be sure you receive an acknowledgement email (sometimes messages with attachments are sent to the Spam folder).
- Photo submittal deadline is October 6, 2024.
- Calendars should be available for purchase at our November meeting.



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) Parking Assistants:

- We need about 10 more 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
- Please call or text Jack Householder to volunteer (215) 327-9556

2) 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

3) Setup/Breakdown:

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

Contact: Candy (ccdv@yahoo.com), Zach (zhamada@comcast.net), Jeff (kauf.jeff@gmail.com), Tom (webmaster@ccdv.com)

it's Cavalcade Time!

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 for directions)

New Judging Format for 2024:

For Non-CCDV Members: Trophies Awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd 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
Or contact Penelope Hunt @ (cocregistration@ccdv.com)
\$20 Pre-registration / \$25 Day of Registration
Free T-shirt to all pre-registered participants

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52nd Annual Cavalcade of Corvettes

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2024 (10a-3p) Registration starts @8am/ Rain Date: Sept 28, 2024 Location: Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (MBIT), 2740 York Rd, Jamison, PA 18929 Food, Music, Charity Auction, Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, Kids Activities, Trophies, All New Judging

2024 Cavalcade of Corvettes Registr	ation Form		
Print Your Name:			Cell Phone:
Your Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Print Your Email Address:			
Are you a US Military Veteran? Yes	/ No Branch of Se	rvice:	
Your Corvette Year:	Body Style (Coupe/	Conv):	Equip (Z06, Z51, etc):
Exterior Color:	Club Affiliation (if a	ny):	
Γ-Shirt Size (circle one): S M L XL	XXL 3XL (free T-S	hirt to all Pr	e-registered by Aug 11 th participants)
Select Your Trophy Class (Circle One Stock = 4 or less modifications from original		modification	s. (see reverse side for Judging criteria)
C1 (1953-1962) Stock	C1 (1953-1962) Modifie	ed	
C2 (1963-1967) Stock	C2 (1963-1967) Modifie		
3 (1968-1982) Stock	C3 (1968-1982) Modifie	ed	
C4 (1984-1996) Stock	C4 (1984-1996) Modifie		
C5 (1997-2004) Stock	C5 (1997-2004) Modifie		
C6 (2005-2013) Stock C7 (2014-2019) Stock	C6 (2005-2013) Modifie C7 (2014-2019) Modifie		
C8 (2020-pres) Stock	C8 (2020-pres) Modifie		
Mail this form & a check for \$20 payable to CCDV 2024 Cavalcade c/o Penelope Hunt 40 Mary Jane Ln, Newtown Square			
The undersigned participant assumes all risks & respor that I am to furnish my own insurance in case of injurie abide by any rules & regulations set forth for this even agree to these items.	es suffered by me or to the pro	perty in considera	
Your Signature:			

CCDV Roving Breakfast

Join Us for BREAKFAST!

Saturday, September 28, 2024
At 10:00 AM

Zoto's Diner

1100 Bethlehem Pike Line Lexington, PA 18932 (215) 822 -1948

Breakfast Buffet \$16.99 + 6%tax + 20%tip = \$21.50 per Person (Includes tea or coffee) Bring CASH of \$21.50 per person. Johnny Bacon will take all the cash to the cashier to pay the bill.

Rain or Shine

RSVP by 2 PM on 9/27/24 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 **Kery Duke, and Bruce and Linda Houser** who recommended this eatery!

Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon!

CCDV Roving Dinner

Join Us for DINNER!

Sunday, September 22, 2024 At 6:00 PM

Giuseppe's Restaurant

1380 Street Road Warminster, PA 18974

Rain or Shine

RSVP by 3 PM on 9/21/24 to
Johnny Bacon at (215) 208-6620
OR
Respond on the CCDV Website's Forum

Hope to see you there!

Johnny Bacon!

CCDV Breakfast at Lancers Diner August 10, 2024

It was a beautiful & sunny summer day that brought 29 hungry CCDVers out to our morning party. We decorated the parking lot with our beautiful multi-colored Corvettes, and Dan & Maureen Wurst drove in with their hot new Rapid Blue C-8. Happily, Linda Zaks - with her now-healed finger — also joined us for breakfast. (As you might recall: Linda Zaks apparently tried one of her parkour vaults off the Diner's steps several months ago, and unfortunately did not "stick" her landing.) Peter's staff did a great logistical job accommodating our large group at 3 long tables at the end of his diner. The food was well-served, hot and delicious! This is a morning party with lots of laughs. Plus, it's an easy and great way for new members to join an activity. Everyone had a wonderful enjoyable time!

The attending CCDV Vettesters were:

- Denny & Eileen Matlack & Richy Josephs
- Chris & Candy Merlino & Al DePue
- Tony Buonassisi & Rose Ferrante & Sweet Alice
- Jeff & Chris Biscardi and Tim Simmons
- Jeff & Julie Kauf
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- Johnny (Bacon) & Kathy Benischeck

On **Saturday September 28th** we'll breakfast at **ZOTO'S Diner at 10:00am**. I hope that you can make it!

Johnny Bacon

CCDV Breakfast at Lancers Diner August 10, 2024













HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



Name		Date
John	Crawford	4
Bob	Weiss	5
Steve	Woodland	5
Peter	Kozak	8
Steven	Magaruh	8
Ken	Jones	9
Merion	Pisieczko	9
Steve	Howard	10
Lorna	Bearn	12
Tamara	Rood	13
John	Kukora	13
Barry	Clipner	14
Mitchell	Gordon	14
Chris	Merlino	16
Jahn	Landis	17
Jim	Loughran	20
Jordan	Strassman	22
Frank	Kitchen	23
Denise	Lewis	24
Ron	Picciani	24
Christopher	Boyd	27
George	Miller	28
Russell	Thomas	28
Chris	Biscardi	30
Gregory	Baugher	30
Charles	Gemmi	30



NEWSWORTHY

CCDY Picnic



Saturday, October 5, 2024 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

MENU

BBQ Boneless Chicken – Grilled Chicken – 1/3 lb. Black Angus Burgers – Hotdogs

Pasta Salad - Tossed Garden Salad - Fresh Fruit Salad

Baked Beans - Corn on the Cob - Lemonade - Iced Tea - Water

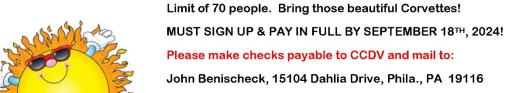
\$10 Per Person

We ask that everyone please bring a small dessert (1 per couple, 1 per single)

Location is at Jim & Edy Doan's House

131 Covered Bridge Road, New Hope, PA 18938

Tables will be under the big tent. Bring lawn games!



(Or give the stub below and payment to John at the July, August, or September monthly meetings.)

Please detach & return form with payment. Thank you.

Name(s):		Amount of Payment \$
Address:		
Phone #	Fmail:	



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LOOKING FOR CLUB EVENTS? Check out the CCDV Club Calendar on the Club's website here:

https://www.ccdv.com/ccdv-events/

JOEL'S JOLLIES



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



Please consider yourselves as "Goodwill Ambassadors" that invite other Corvette Lovers to join our club.

Corvette Club of Delaware Valley (CCDV)



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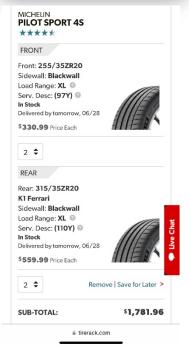
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The tires are 255/35ZR20 on the front and 315/35ZR20, K1 Ferrari on the rears with 2500 miles on them.

Asking \$4,000 OBO for the set.

Reach out to Chad C @ chad.caulkins@gmail.com (267) 753-5566









CLASSIFIEDS - WANTED

- **#1 Wanted** no longer wanted trophies to be repurposed for Cruise Nights and special Cavalcade awards. Bring them to the monthly meeting or arrange for drop-off/pickup.
- **#2 Wanted** Fabric, zippers, batting and sewing notions in good conditions. Calling sewers/quilters/crafters to go through your stash and pass along items you no longer have/plan to use for projects like zippered pencil cases, backpacks, and tote bags, as well as softies (think small stuffed animals) to be donated for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.

Contact Candy Merlino @ either ccdv@yahoo.com or 215-779-9454 if you have any questions/items to donate.

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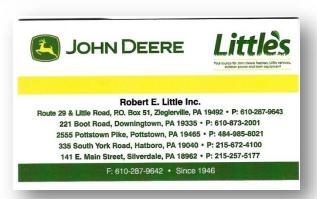


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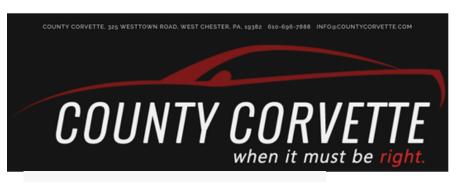


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