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## **MAY MEETING CANCELLED**

Due to the corona virus, the May 11th general meeting has been cancelled. The Board meeting will be on the 18th and will be held via email or zoom. Watch out for future email blasts to get the latest information.

#### 41ST IN-VETTE-TATIONAL NEWS

by Bob Messner

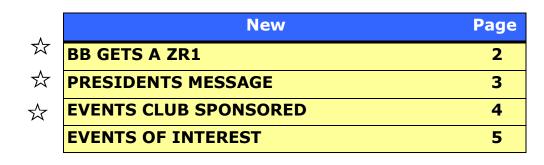
Skyline Drive Corvettes 41st Annual In-Vette-Tational - Saturday July 18 I hope that each of you along with your families are doing well during this crazy Covid-19 event. Who would have imagined how much our daily routines have changed within only the past couple of months. Our focus changed from outdoor spring time family and Corvette events to creatively seeking masks, sanitizer, and toilet paper.

As much as quarantining or social distancing is contrary to the core purpose of the fellowship, events, and fun of Skyline Drive Corvettes, we all know it is important for the health of everyone. Each of us are anxious to learn how this pandemic will further affect everything we do, but keep optimistic, likely we will have a new normal but great opportunities with our club will return . We know it is impossible to predict what conditions will be like on July 18 and how those conditions will affect the our 41st In-Vette-Tational. We do know whatever decisions we make will focus on the safety of everyone.

At this time I have canceled all future in person In-Vette Committee meetings at Bob Fisher Chevrolet until further notice. The good news is our In-Vette Committee is a team that communicates by various means, and I know we can do all we need to do for a successful car show without needing to meet in person at this time. We are proceeding with planning for the In-Vette on July 18th smartly, keeping all options open to maintain our flexibility to adapt to changes as necessary.

Because my nature is to cover every option, I have communicated with Kevin Bieber of the Oley Fire Company Fairgrounds. I floated the idea to establish a backup plan with the Fairgrounds planners if needed in the future, options to reschedule the In-Vette to a later date only if it is determined to be necessary. Kevin will keep me updated on the status of all their scheduled events as our state governor continues to evaluate the safe-

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#### No **NEW MEMBERS** this month

## BRIAN BLANKENBILLER GETS A ZR1



Brian picked up this 2012 Centennial Edition ZR1. His Grand Sport went to Charlotte NC and the Callaway went to the island of Malta. I always knew the Maltese Falcon was yellow.



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ty of public events. Donna continues a great job in maintaining communication with each of our vendors and In-Vette sponsors to keep them updated. Likewise Barry and Harold are interfacing with the Vo-Tech instructors during this no-school period as well.

Every club member's input to this strategy is important and is welcome as always. For sharing ideas, Roaring into the 20s In-Vette flyers, or information, feel free to contact me directly at bobmessner1@gmail.com <mailto:bobmessner1@gmail.com> .

Your continued support to the In-Vette is key to the success of our club's Scholarship program goal and very much appreciated. Keep heathy and safe, Betsy and I are looking forward to seeing everyone on the road or at our next club event soon.

Bob Chairman of the SDC 41st In-Vette-Tational

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Terry Withers	5-4
Craig Deyer	5-7
Robert Heck	5-7
Gene Koch	5-10
George Hoover	5-12
Don Kline	5-12
Rick Staudt	5-14
Arlene Klinger	5-15
Helen Brown	5-16
Rita Clemmer	5-16
Paige Zeller	5-17
Jim Baldwin	5-21
Andrea Mertz	5-22
Craig Kercher	5-23
William Brown	5-23
Michael Basile	5-24
Edward Hein MD.	5-24
Richard Hernandez	
Larry Bortz III	5-30
Steve Brogan	5-30
Barbara Brown	5-30
Diane Messner	5-31

#### **ANNIVERSARY**

Lucille & Clarence Yenser	5-6
Sue & Pete Lengel	5-9
Dee & Art Salyards	5-9
Diane & Mitch Finsel	5-17
Lisa & Robert Heck	5-20
Jean & Joel Miller	5-21
Betty Jane & Larry Bernet	5-22
Andrea & Gary DeCola	5-23
Diane & John Parenti	5-26
Sandra & Michael Bellante	5-30

#### **NEWSLETTER GUIDELINES**

Anyone is welcome to submit items or articles for publication in the newsletter. Please try to be brief and to the point. E-mail is the very best way to submit information. Our e-mail address is sdcnews@yahoo.com . Deadline for submission is **noon on the 26**<sup>th</sup> of each month. If you don't have access to e-mail, then a typewritten document is preferred.

Hand written document are accepted for small items. Verbal input is discouraged, as it is impossible to know what message the author has in mind. Questions e-mail or call 610.678.3310.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Randy Chapman

I hope everyone in SDC is well. Now that the new normal is starting I imagine everyone has to rethink what we do on a daily basis. Key points to follow: Frequent hand washing, social distancing, wear a mask in public. Once we are all able to be out and about here are some things to consider:

> Buy American made products Support local farmer's markets Patronize locally owned restaurants, bars, pizza shops, and jewelry stores Support the SDC club sponsors



## FROM THE AMBASSADOR

by Randy Chapman

The National Corvette Museum continues to deliver C-8 Corvettes at the museum .The Museum store is open and is offering free shipping on orders of \$30.00 or more through May 3, 2020.

Raffles available are:

April 30, 2020 drawing for a Torch red coupe. \$ 150.00 per ticket May 29, 2020 drawing for an Elkhart Lake coupe. \$ 100.00 per ticket Memberships start at \$ 50.00 annually for an individual. Senior individual memberships are \$ 500.00 for 20 years . That works out to \$ 25.00 per year. As with all organizations, your support is essential.

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#### **MEETING PLACE** Alvernia University

If you know of a club member who is sick or has had a death in the family, please notify the Corresponding Secretary

## CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST **GM OVER DEFECTIVE C7 CORVETTE WHEELS**

It's been reported for years that some owners are experiencing problems with their wheels cracking on C7 Z06s and Grand Sports. A Pennsylvania law firm is asking affected owners to contact them to take part in a class-action lawsuit against General Motors.

Kehoe Law Firm, P.C., says the class action has been filed in United States District Court, Northern District of California on behalf of owners of 2015-2019 Corvette Z06s and 2017-19 Grand Sports. The suit alleges that the wheels "are prone to bending and cracking, necessitating costly repairs and replacements" and that such cracking "can puncture the tires, causing air leaks and tire blowouts."

According to the complaint, said defect is a result of making the rims out of a cheaper cast material instead of being forged, and also because GM used less material than necessary to try and save unsprung weight (or weight that is not borne by the cars' suspension), resulting in cracks under normal driving conditions because the rims are too weak. The suit also argues that Chevy is systematically denying claims about the wheels made by owners during the three-year, 36,000-mile bumper-to-bumper warranty, forcing owners to pay thousands of dollars on their own to repair and replace the wheels.

U.S. purchasers or lessees of either a Chevrolet Corvette Z06 (2015-Present) or Chevrolet Corvette Grand Sport vehicle (2017-Present) designed, manufactured, marketed, distributed, sold, warranted, and/or serviced by General Motors LLC are encouraged to contact Kehoe Law Firm, P.C. Michael Yarnoff, Esq., (215) 792-6676, Ext. 804, myarnoff@kehoelawfirm.com, info@kehoelawfirm.com, or John Kehoe, Esq., (215) 792-6676, Ext. 801, jkehoe@kehoelawfirm.com, to discuss potential legal claims.





## **SPONSORS**

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#### **STOUDT AUTO SALES**

1342 Butler St Reading, PA 19601 (610) 375-8595

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645 Galen Hall Rd 610-678-5424

#### **Classic Auto Mall**

6180 Morgantown Rd 610-207-6100

#### **Hyde Villa Auto Parts**

215 Wilson St 610-929-4329



#### **REDNER'S** SAVE-A-TAPE

You can help SDC raise some funds by shopping at Redners. To participate, you need to have a "Save-A-Tape" card. Simply ask for a free card at any Redner's Market.

Redner's will donate 1% back to SDC. Bring Redner's register receipt tapes to each regular club meeting or mail to Barry Goodhart @ 32 Heart Knoll Lane, Robesonia 19551

## EVENTS CLUB SPONOSRED

#### MAY CLUB MEETINGS

The general membership has been cancelled. The Board of Directors meeting will be held via email on the 20th.

#### ICE CREAM RUN, MAY 5

Kenhorst Dairy queen, no other info available

#### **KEY WEST TRIP, POSTPONED TO MAY 7,2021**

For obvious reasons the Escape 2020 tour to Key West, Savannah, and Little Switzerland has been postponed to May 7th 2021. Some in the club had interest in the tour but didn't work out with this years dates. If there is anyone that would like to be added to the group now that the dates have changed, please contact Ted or Ann Stalnecker.

#### **WALK FOR MENTAL WELLNESS, MAY 16**

Corvette display at First Energy Stadium. 10am to 1pm

#### **ICE CREAM RUN, MAY 19**

Caravan leaving Boscovs Berkshire Mall at 5:30pm

## ALLENTOWN AREA CC SHOW, JUNE 1980 Flyer

#### **BERSHIRE MALL SHOW, JUNE 20, 21**

Just a notice for the upcoming Father's Day Berkshire Mall Show in June. As you know, all things have been shut down lately and I'm not positive the show will go on. Barry G did receive conformation from the Mall before all this started. I will try to keep up with what is happening and let you all know. Mitch Zeigler

#### **WATKINS GLEN, JUNE 26**

Anyone going to the Watkins Glen race weekend, Tom Suchon will be leading a caravan up to the track on Friday, June 26. Meet at Blue Marsh Cantina on route 183 at 6 o'clock in the morning. We will stop for breakfast in Danville then drive directly to the track. If any questions please call Tom at 610-678-8860.

## **INVETTE, JULY 18TH** See flyer

### OCEAN CITY MD CORVETTE WEEKEND, OCT 16-17, 2020

We have a block of 25 rooms at the Howard Johnson on the Boards at 12th Street for the 2020 Free State Corvette weekend in Ocean City, Md. October 16 & 17. Standard rooms \$79 + tax, Ocean View \$89 + tax, Ocean Front \$129 + tax. All you need to do is call 800-926-1122 and make your reservation in the SDC block. You will receive these special SDC prices.

If you have already made your reservation through the hotel, call the above number and ask for a room in the SDC block. The hotel cannot give you this pricing. Questions: Contact Randy Kerschner at randman9@aol.com or 484-769-3055



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## SDC TAC TEAM

(Technical Advisory Committee)

**C1**(1953-1962) Vern Levengood 610-689-5556 Joe Morroney 610-779-8442

**C2**(1963-1967) Harry Blankenbiller 610-929-5627 Rich Snyder 610-926-4937 Gene Miller 610-683-5923 Joe Morroney 610-779-8442

C3(1968-1982) Bill Flamm 610-944-9541 Joe Morroney 610-779-8442 Keith Rissell 610-385-3275

**C4**(1984-1996) Bruce Clelland 610-926-2251 Jack DeLong 215-657-4418

**C5**(1997-2004) Jack DeLong 215-657-4418

**C6**(2005-2009) Charlie Weaver 610-779-5983

**C7**(2014-2019) George Hoover 610-584-6558

C8(2020-)

#### INTERNET **ADDRESS**

www.skylinedrivecor vettes.org

## **MEETING PLACE**

Alvernia University

If you know of a club member who is sick or has had a death in EVENT SIGN UP the family, please notify the Corresponding Secretary

## EVENTS OF INTEREST

## ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE, MAY 169

In West Reading rain or shine sign up sheet at the next meeting

#### **VETTES CRUISIN FOR PETS, JUNE 28** See flver

#### **CORVETTES AT CARLISLE , AUGUST 27—30**

Skyline Drive Corvette Club has reserved a tent for this event but new rules state that our Club must have twenty-five members registered for the "Fun Field" in order to qualify. When you register by e-mail (CarlisleEvents.com) be sure to select S.D.C. from the drop down screen. If registering by phone (717-243-7855), be sure to mention you are a SDC member. "Fun Field" registration allows you to enter the show Thursday – Sunday with your Corvette, 2 people, and to park at the SDC tent. The Carlisle Fairgrounds can be reached either from the PA Turnpike or I-81 and is approximately a 1 and ½ hour drive from Reading.

Any questions, please contact Carlisle Events at 717-243-7855 or Ron Whitmoyer at 610-779-8437. Registration closes on July 27, 2020.

## **GENRAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES** Meeting cancelled, no minutes **BOD MEETING**

Not available on public edition





Sign -up sheets for our events will be on the front table at our general club meetings at Alvernia. If you are new or have just never tried an event with the club, come out and see how much fun we have as a club



Rain or Shine

**Plus Special Awards** 

**Registration 9am - noon Awards at 2pm** 

Fun, Yendors, Music, Food, Tricky Tray Auction, Flea Market, Door Prizes, 50/50, and Dash Plaques



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\*Award Winners are selected by the public's vote. SDC Members do not vote on Corvette Classes.

For Additional Information Email: INVETTE@SKYLINEDRIVECORVETTES.ORG

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Craig Deyer 834 Broadcasting Road, Wyomissing PA 19610-1437

Make Checks Payable to: Skyline Drive Corvette Club and mail to:



# THE 41TH ANNUAL IN-VETTE-TATIONAL CORVETTE SHOW SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2020 Oley Fairgrounds We appreciate your support of our Tricky Tray Auction

Give your business great exposure!

This will be a LARGE celebration with over 300 attendees

Visitors from Berks County, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and Virginia

Main Club sponsor is Bob Fisher Chevrolet

Other sponsors: Stoudt Auto Sales, Classic Auto Mall, Galen Hall Restaurant, Hyde Villa Auto Parts

Donations help us sponsor scholarships for Six students attending
Berks East, Berks West, and Muhlenberg Career and Technology Centers for post secondary
education in the automotive field. Items you might consider donating could be gift certificates,
items you manufacture, company promotions or monetary support.

You may arrange pick up of your donation by July 18, 2020, by calling 484-797-7451 (leave a message including your phone number), or mail your donation to

Andy Stalmecker 43 Bechtel Rd Boyertown, PA 19512

Address for Checks: Skyline Drive Corvettes, Inc. POBox 14231, Reading, PA 19612-4231

Skyline Drive Corvette Club members also volunteer their time and talents to other local fund raisers ...

Keystone Soldiers and Freedom Steps Animal Rescue League Bethany Children's Home Toys for Tots

PA Breast Cancer Coalition Berks & Muhlenberg Career and Technology Centers Pagoda Fire Tower Restoration Salvation Army

Thank you for helping us in the past and to a successful show and continue to support Berks County in 2020.

Sincerely,

Andy Stalnecker

In-Vette-Tational, Auction Committee Chair

## Vettes Cruisin' for Pets



## to benefit the Animal Rescue League











WHAT:

Skyline Drive Corvettes, Inc. is hosting a Corvette Show. Participant judging and trophies in these classes: 1953-1962; 1963-1967; 1968-1973; 1974-1982; 1984-1990; 1991-1996; 1997-2004; 2005-2013; 2014-2019; the new 2020; Best of Show and the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters

Choice Award.

WHEN: Sunday, June 28, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Alvernia University (Entrance off of Greenway Terrace)

400 Saint Bernardine Street, Reading, PA 19607 For directions and map visit: www.alvernia.edu

The Party People

WHY:

To raise funds for the care of the animals at the shelter

(all proceeds from the show go to the ARL)

Dash plaques and trophies, Chinese Auction raffle prizes, "Beer Haus" raffle, Pets on display from the ARL!

Animal Rescue League volunteers vote for "Best of Show"

Food, beverages and ice cream available Pre-registration \$18.00 Day of show \$20.00

The ARL is in desperate need of many items. Please visit their website at <a href="www.berksarl.org">www.berksarl.org</a> to see their complete "wish list" and if you can, please bring the items with you on the day of the show or drop them off at the ARL.

	Make checks payable to: Please mail checks to: For any questions about the:	Skyline Drive Corve Linda Spangenberg show, please email <u>linda</u>	, 5101 Diehl Rd., I	Mohnton, PA 19540 nor call Linda at 484-331-4102	
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