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# My Two Cents



by Jack Layton

Welcome to a new year. With it, come new opportunities and the possibility to enjoy some of the new activities that CCND has come up with. This year looks full of promises- from our annual cruise to the Red Rose Inn, to perhaps adding a 3<sup>rd</sup> show in Concord Mall. There will be plenty of things to do and participate in, as well as the usual cruise nights and shows that will be going on in the region.

First up, is our 7<sup>th</sup> annual Red Rose Inn cruise set for Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting at Prices Corner **PARK-N-RIDE**, which is on Centerville Road, just behind the shopping center. **Please make a note that we will not be meeting in the shopping center. We will be leaving at 10AM SHARP!** Again, this year, we will feature a poker run. Last year was the first time that this was done, and those who participated said they enjoyed the beautiful scenery through the countryside.

The two annual shows in Concord Mall are set. The Fathers Day show on June 19<sup>th</sup>, and the fall show on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Also, I have been in touch with Mall management regarding the possibility of adding another show. At the present time, I am waiting for them to get back to me with available dates. As with the other two shows, this one will provide the club with additional revenue from the mall. Stay tuned.

Regarding the Kahunaville show, Bob Gerber has confirmed the date of October 3<sup>rd</sup> as agreeable with Kahunaville, with a rain date set for October 23<sup>rd</sup>. This year's beneficiary is the Delaware Humane Association and "VETTES FOR PETS" is the slogan.

Now is the time to start making contacts with people you might do business with. This could be your local hardware store, convenience store, your dentist or the hairdresser that you have

supported throughout the years. Info will be forthcoming, but you can lay the foundation now for more talks during the year. I would like to see us raise at least \$5,000.00 again this year.

One of our more pressing needs is to upgrade the club trailer. The current trailer is simply too small. This was brought up a couple of years ago and was motioned that we table it for a later date when the club might be better able to buy one. That time has come, and the Board has some recommendations. We have received 3 or 4 prices from different trailer suppliers. We will be bringing this up for discussion and a vote at the February meeting.

By all accounts, the holiday party held on January 15<sup>th</sup>, was well received. The 52 people, who attended the event, enjoyed the nice buffet style dinner as well as a trivia session. This year, instead of the usual draw a number and pick a gift routine, I had the bright idea of doing a Chinese auction. We quickly found out that it needs to be fine tuned for next year. Also, the board members who were present received their annual gift from yours truly. My thanks to Janet for a job well done in organizing this event.

Here's to a great season of fun in the sun, whether is be on 4 wheels or 2, and as always... thanks for letting me put in "*My Two Cents*."

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# CCND Annual 2004 Holiday Party



The Annual CCND Holiday Party was well attended by CCND members and guests from First State Corvette Club & Keystone Corvette Club. Thankfully we did not have all the snow that we do now, so some of us drove our Corvettes to the party. The Riverview Inn provided great food as they have in the past. The music trivia was fun and our first time doing a Chinese Auction with the gifts was entertaining.

Jack handed out mementos to the board members. Congratulations to Andy Rumford who picked as the Corvette Club of Northern Delaware's Member of the Year.

And finally a big thanks to our master of ceremonies Jack and to Janet for putting together a great evening.

....Steve Blanchies



## The Gift That Keeps On Giving



# Upcoming Events

*Lynn Blanchies*



**Feb. 5-13 Philadelphia International Auto Show**  
Philadelphia Convention Center Admission - Adults \$12 weekends \$10 weekdays. Of this, \$1.00 goes to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia



**Feb. 23** Dinner out at **Joe's the Unchained Restaurant** on Kirkwood Highway. Meet at the restaurant at 6:30pm. Please let me know if you are coming for reservations. (322-6649)

**Feb. 24-27 Atlantic City Car Show**



**March 20 Red Rose Inn - Sunday Brunch** – Details to follow. This is our annual spring event and always a great time. The weather has not failed us yet and Jack promises a better card hand for everyone.



## February Birthdays

**Sandra Fabris 2/5**  
**John Perrott 2/6**  
**Denise Cervelli 2/7**  
**Donna Rumford 2/8**  
**Dave Steel 2/13**  
**Bruce York 2/15**

**Michael Turano 2/16**  
**Tom Ptomey 2/18**  
**Garry Belcher 2/23**  
**Walter Rupp 2/23**  
**Peggy DeSanta 2/25**  
**Ron Stewart 2/27**

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I hope everyone's Holidays went well. Did you receive anything Corvette related? How about sharing it with the club in the newsletter? Send to: [50thAECorvette@comcast.net](mailto:50thAECorvette@comcast.net)

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The specifications have been released on the new 2006 ZO6 Corvette. It will have a 427 cubic inch small block LS7 engine that is de-tuned to 500 HP and 475 lb of torque. A very detailed article with pictures can be found at the link. <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/specs/2006/> Do you think YOU'LL buy one?



## CCND January Meeting Minutes



Meeting was called to order by Jack Layton on January 4, 2005. Jack Layton welcomed everyone for the New Year and read a letter from Veterans Affairs regarding the club's donation. He also read a thank you note from Max Wilson who is recovering from a broken ankle.

- Vice President's Report:** Joe DeSanta reported 55 paid members which is the largest number yet for this time of year.
- Treasurer's Report:** Harvey Smith reported club is in the black. Annual report will be available next month for distribution to members.
- Member at Large:** Mike Metcalf in sunny California. Jack reported Mike very upset about the way Signature Stitches is handling orders. Some items were billed higher than quoted, lots of backorders.
- NCCC Governor:** Dave Morales – nothing to report at this time.
- Newsletter Editor:** Steve Blanchies reported the Vets for Vets t-shirts will be ready by next meeting. Need Member of the Month articles.
- Social Chairperson:** Lynn Blanchies reported on upcoming activities:
- 1/15**            **Holiday Party** – Riverview Inn, Pennsville, NJ – 6:30-10:30 pm - \$25/person - \$25 Pollyanna Gift Money & reservations due now.
  - 2/5 – 5/13**    **Philadelphia Auto Show**
  - 2/26**            **1<sup>st</sup> State Corvette Club Atlantic City trip**
- Show Chairman:** Bob Gerber asked for a vote for next year's benefactor. Choices were Sunshine Foundation and Delaware Humane, of which Delaware Humane was the winner. Show date set for Oct. 23 and Concord Mall show Oct. 30.
- Janet Taylor:** Janet read a thank you note from the adopt-a-family.
- Old Business:** None
- New Business:** Jack reported on the 6<sup>th</sup> annual trip to Red Rose Inn for Sunday Brunch. Tentative date is 3/20 (1<sup>st</sup> day of spring & Palm Sunday). We will be having a Poker run.
- Sun, 3/13 – Keystone State Corvette Club Poker Run.
- Possible 3<sup>rd</sup> Concord Mall Show in October with American muscle cars.
- Jack dropped off printer to be repaired. Possibly the roller might be the problem – cost @ \$300.
- Jay Brantner gave an estimate of ~\$250 + volunteer time to fix up the old club trailer.
- 50/50:** Membership to National Corvette Owners Assoc. – Bob Avery  
Car wash – Harvey Smith  
\$32 – Charlotte Stigler
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, *Christine Carlantonio*

**NEXT MEETING DATE – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2005**

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- DORMITORY:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**DIRTY ROOM**
- EVANGELIST:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**EVIL'S AGENT**
- DESPERATION:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**A ROPE ENDS IT**
- THE MORSE CODE:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**HERE COME DOTS**
- SLOT MACHINES:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**CASH LOST IN ME**
- MOTHER-IN-LAW:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**WOMAN HITLER**
- SNOOZE ALARMS:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**ALAS! NO MORE Z'S**
- A DECIMAL POINT:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**I'M A DOT IN PLACE**
- ELEVEN PLUS TWO:** When you rearrange the letters:  
**TWELVE PLUS ONE**

And for the grand finale: **PRESIDENT CLINTON OF THE USA:** When you rearrange the letters  
(With no letters left over and using each letter only once):  
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