



Vettester

The official newsletter of the Corvette Club of Northern Delaware
May 2013

CCND's 40th Anniversary Weekend April 26-28, 2013



Featured in this issue:

- * **40th Anniversary Weekend activities**
- * **Getting to know Mike Metcalf**
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CCND APRIL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the last CCND meeting



Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by **Mike Metcalf** on April 9, 2013. **Mike** thanked everyone who attended. **Andrew Carlantonio** brought dessert for all to share.

- Vice President:** **Mike Metcalf** gave his report.
- Treasurer:** **Harvey Smith** gave the financial report.
- Webmaster:** **Bob Avery** reported that the website is a work in progress. In Motion Hosting has an additional 6 web sites. Paid up for 5 years. Looking at a new template which will be run by members.
- Member at Large:** **Jane Murray** collected money for 50/50.
- Newsletter Editor:** **Fred Krumm** thanked the club for newsletter content. Questions asked about events on our anniversary weekend. Last weekend in June – Watkins Glen.
- Social Chairperson:** **Fran Pepeta** reported on Whip Restaurant trip. Coming up Schaefer's Canal House. 4/20 – trip to Dover to see Air Force 2.
- Show Chair:** **Jack Bianchino** reported that cruise-in went well – parking logistics need fine tuning – 150 cars – 50/50 \$191 to club.
- Business Manager:** **Bob Avery** had nothing to report.
- Club Historian:** **Bob Cook** reported that the 2014 Vette is on display at Amelia Island. First public CCND meeting July, 1973. Making up list of past members for reunion. Has newsletters for 73-79 – missing 1983, 1984, and 1985.
- Old Business:** **Mike Metcalf** reported that the club should get as many members as possible to order 40th anniversary shirts and get engaged with activities.
Jane Murray said if we order 40th anniversary shirts now they will arrive in June.
- New Business:** 5/18 – Elks on 274 car show
8/11 – Cars & Coffee – Dilworthtown Shopping Center
Your Ride is Here – transport sick kids
- 50/50:** **Fred Bolling - \$55**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim McGoldrich for Christine Carlantonio, Secretary

CONCORD MALL SHOWS: APRIL 28 ~ JUNE 16 ~ OCTOBER 20

Pike Creek Cruise Nights: April 6th, May 4th, June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd, September 7th, October 5th

NEXT MEETING DATE IS TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2013



Meeting Agenda for May 14, 2013:

Call to Order

Welcome

New Members

2013 CCND Officer Reports:

Vice President:	Mike Metcalf	Secretary:	Christine Carlantonio
Treasurer:	Harvey Smith	Social Chairperson:	Fran Pepeta
Webmaster:	Bob Avery	Show Chair:	Jack Bianchino
Member @ Large:	Jane Murray	Business Manager:	Bob Avery
Newsletter Editor:	Fred Krumm	Club Historian:	Bob Cook

Old Business:

- Planning for 2013 & 40th year for CCND
- 40th CCND T-Shirts -- last day for orders

New Business:

- Breakfast Run to the Beach ~ May 19th ~ Tybouts Corner park & ride 7:45am
- Activities

Adjournment

50/50 -- Jane Murray

Club "Swag":

- CCND Window Stickers (a): \$5.00 ea. Mount inside or outside
- CCND Window Stickers (b): \$5.00 ea. Mount inside - clear background
- CCND Coffee Cups: \$6.00 ea.
- CCND License Plates: see Jim DeFord →

Next Meeting: June 11, 2013

During the meeting can all members please put your **Cell Phones on VIBRATE**...thanks

Please be **generous** to your server.



2013 Kickoff Breakfast Cruise – The Whip

*Words and
Pictures by Jim
Davis*



last year. We met at the Lantana Shopping Center for a sunny but cool Spring cruise. Eight Corvettes and one Jeep participated in a scenic caravan led by Nick Cervelli through the country. We were able to gather for a

Sunday April 14th was the start of our season, with The Whip restaurant in Coatesville, Pennsylvania as our kickoff brunch location. Our club Social Chairperson, Fran Pepeta, was happy to return to this popular favorite from



few minutes in the parking lot and look over the country setting before we were greeted by the restaurant staff and seated. Two club members drove directly and joined the group. It sounded like everyone enjoyed themselves. After brunch everyone left separately and enjoyed another ride in the country to their next destination.

CCND 40th Anniversary Weekend

Club members were excited to participate in a variety of activities as we enjoyed a weekend focused on celebrating our 40th anniversary as a club. Following captures just a bit of the fun:

Schaefer's Canal House Dinner Cruise (April 26)

Over 20 CCND Vettes, carrying nearly 40 members, met at People's Plaza to kick off the weekend with a brief (but enjoyable) cruise to Schaefer's Canal House in Chesapeake City, MD. Led by John Perrott's black C6 convertible (but was it friend Jennifer driving?), we traveled some rather narrow back roads (at times it seemed we were in the British countryside following narrow lanes well-suited to Jags and MGs).

Nonetheless, we arrived safe and sound, with a healthy appetite for great food and drink.

We pulled in to find a dedicated parking area along Bank Street – it's easy to see Bob Avery and Ed Wolos were already honing in on the feast to come!



Settling in a brightly lit (OK, it was really sun glare) room reserved for the evening, the victuals and libations flowed freely. Finally, President Steve Blanchies made some

comments about how great it was to belong to such a successful club that has lasted 40 years, and expects to last many more.



A delicious and nicely decorated cake quickly disappeared, followed shortly thereafter by the well-stuffed members, who headed out knowing that the fun was just beginning.

Cars & Coffee, West Chester, PA (April 27)

Fred Krumm and Sean & Ann Collins made sure that CCND was represented at the West Chester Cars & Coffee (which is held every Saturday from 8 to 11 AM at the Starbucks in Dilworthown Plaza). Vettes were proudly displayed...



But we were joined by some VERY special rides:



Concord Mall Show (April 28)

We capped our celebration weekend with a fine turnout for the Concord Mall Show. In addition to the usual Mall contribution to our charity funding, we also collected \$132.00 for People's Choice! Award winning cars were:

Best of Show/Presidents Cup

Dave Whitman
1978 25th Anniversary Coupe



Management's Choice

Ed & Elouise Wolos
1964 Roadster



Kids Choice

Larry, (not Mary Lou), Gilbert
1957 Roadster



People's Choice 1st place

Paul Chickadel
2006 Z06



People's Choice 2nd place

Alan & Sandra Simkins
2010 Corvette Grand Sport Coupe



People's Choice 3rd place

Steve Guglielmo
1980 Corvette Coupe



CCND's Second Year

By Club Historian Bob Cook

Last month we looked at CCND's first year – April, 1973 through March, 1974. This month we will look at what was happening from April, 1974 to March, 1975:

- There were 4 newsletters in 1974 – which were issued approximately quarterly. (This changed to monthly after the first quarter of 1975.)
- Current and recent members that were around in 1974 included Jim Davis (joined in 1973) and Dave Massey who joined in about May of 1974.
- The Club ordered “iron-on” decals for T-shirts, which read “MY DADDY IS A CORVETTE LOVER,” and sold them for 55 cents. (I don't think we have any left in inventory.)
- May was a busy month with:
 - ✓ May 5 – Cavalcade of Corvettes in Jenkintown with 2/3 of club members attending
 - ✓ May 12 – 10 members to Dover for Townsend Bros. Chevrolet show – brought home 4 of 5 trophies given
 - ✓ May 19 – Dover Downs with 70 Corvettes on the infield for Mason-Dixon 500
 - ✓ May 25 – Tune-up at Omar Boulden's –90 hot dogs consumed and 4 gal. of iced tea
- The Club picnic at Brandywine Springs Park (Oct. 12) and the Halloween Party (Oct. 24) held in the normal meeting location (the basement of the White Clay Presbyterian Church) were both great successes.
- The first annual Christmas Party was held Dec 7, 1974 at the Kent Manor Inn (Route 13). The Club picked up an unspecified amount of the cost of the dinner – which was \$7 for members and \$9.00 for quests.
- An Activities Committee was formed in early 1975 which came up with ideas for new events as well as keeping the popular events and annual activities of the previous year.
- Business meetings were held the second Thursday of each month and shop talks were held the fourth Thursday of each month.
- The first annual Awards Banquet was held April 5, 1975 at the Pike Creek Country Club. The choice of meals (from the “Three Little Bakers”) was Crab Imperial at \$6.50/person and Roast Sirloin of Beef at \$7.50/person. CCND paid the balance of \$3.00 for each meal. \$120 worth of trophies was given to members who had attained the highest point totals during the previous year.
- In September of 1974 the Club had 39 dues-paying members who owned 3 C-1 solid axles, 22 C-2 mid years, and 20 C-3s.

By mid-1975 CCND was 2 years old, had an active group of members, and was well established.

A chat with CCND VP
MIKE METCALF, Sr.



Your current occupation: **JUST RETIRED 😊**; was EVP/CTO MTPSC (Wireless Communications)

Where do you live? Newark, DE

Are you married and do you have children? Married, two grown kids, 3 grandkids

Do you have pets? Two golden retrievers (Sadie & Madie)

What's your favorite vacation spot? Key West

What's your favorite food? All... **And restaurant?** Maggiano's

What's your favorite music? Oldies/Rock

How long have you been a CCND member? Since 2000

What year did you purchase your 1st Corvette? 2000

What generation Corvette are you driving now? C3 AND C5

What non-corvette related interests do you have? Golf, Baseball, Travel

Which do you prefer, Cruise Nights, Shows, Autocross etc. Cruise Nights

What is your most memorable Corvette moment? Monster Mile tour (Dover Downs)

Anything else to add? I really enjoy the sport -- and the good people I meet

An invitation from member PAT CARZO:

I am on the board of directors of L'Associazione Regionale Abruzzese Delco. We are celebrating our 4th Annual *Italian American Heritage Festival* on June 2, 2013 at beautiful Rose Tree Park in Upper Providence Township, Delaware County, PA.



I am organizing the Italian car exhibit at the festival, and would like to invite any CCND member who happens to have an Italian car to participate in the exhibit. Last year we had over 10,000 attendees and we had 22 cars on display. Anyone who is interested can contact me at patc_19710@yahoo.com, register online at <http://celebrationsitalianstyle.org/index.php/forms-etc>, or call me at 302.437.4369 . Please identify yourself as a CCND member, so that I can recognize the club's participation/support at the event.



Of course, all CCND members are cordially invited to join the festivities. **There is no admittance fee**, and we promise a great June Sunday of excellent food, top-rated entertainment, and activities designed to involve attendees of all ages. Thanks!



May Birthdays:	
May 2	Alice Smith
May 5	Margee Michaels
May 10	Alfred Knystautas
	Tony Smagala
May 14	Jane Murray
May 15	Bob Avery
May 22	Steven Michaels
May 28	Joe Ligenza



40th Anniversary 1973 ~ 2013



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MONTHLY CAR SHOW & CRUISE

Street Rods, Classic, Antique, Race, Trucks, Motorcycles
Bring whatever you have!

New location for 2013

Pike Creek Shopping Center

First Saturday of the Month

April through October*

April 6th, May 4th, **June 1st**, July 6th, August 3rd, September 7th, October 5th

4PM- 8PM

No Entry Fee

Music Food Fun

Sponsored by Ruby Tuesday and Frazzberry Frozen Yogurt

CCND indoor Concord Mall Shows for 2013 ~ April 28th, **June 16th** & October 20th

*Weather Permitting–check www.vetteclub.org for any show changes or updates

CCND Membership Application

Come be a part of the Corvette Club of Northern Delaware. Simply complete the form and mail to the address below with your \$35.00/yearly payment. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. You can also complete this membership application online at: www.vetteclub.org

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