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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Brian Blankenbiller, his last!

Hey gang! Well, 3yrs have come and gone and I get to hand the reigns over to Janet Schmidt and as we all know, she'll do a great job! I surely hope everyone feels that I tried my best to represent the SDC in the best possible way. I tried to get everyone involved in our events and activities, that's what you joined for, right! Don't know about all of you, there is nothing better than getting behind the wheel of my Corvette and putting miles on her!

I guess it all started back when I was around 5yrs old when my parents bought their first Vette. Riding in the passenger seat, or even back in the coupe area of the '63, I felt like the coolest kid in the world!! As a kid, it all culminated with my Dad giving me the '63 for a whole day after we won the State Championship in baseball my senior year in high school. I put 230mi on it just giving my buddies rides around town! As the years went on, my passion for the corvette just got stronger even though I couldn't afford one, lived it through Mom and Dad with theirs and their involvement with the Club. Then in '98 I got my first one from Stoudts, an '80 red/white 4spd thanks to mom and dad! Moved on to a '71 and then probably my fondest and proudest moment in my 'corvette career' came in 2004. After Carlisle, pop and I made an agreement to search for a GrandSport in my price range. We found #146 in Hanover PA. After negotiations, I possessed my dream car....on my dad's birthday! I'll never forget our hug together with tears in both our eyes after we made the deal!!

I hope every father and son has had that experience at least once! All during this time, watching mom and dads heavy involvement with SDC was making me look forward to moving back to PA to get involved and enjoy all the events with the club! I can't thank them enough for all they have done for me and our family!! After a couple of years on the Board, you guys got 'stuck' with me as President in 2015. Hopefully everyone feels like the Club is in great shape and that's it fun to be in! Hope you are proud to say to people at shows that you are a member of SDC, I know I am!



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NEW MEMBER this month

James Matz from Temple, drives an 85 & 93 Coupe



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW DUE

Please renew your membership. Use the form included in this newsletter. Be sure to fill out what Corvettes you now own. You have until December 31, after that there will be a late fee.



SDC 2018 OFFICERS

President: Janet Schmidt
 Vice-President: Norm Burton
 Treasurer: Ted Stalnecker
 Recording Secretary: Currently Vacant
 Corresponding Secretary: Donna Zeigler

SDC 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Janet Schmidt (as President)
 Brian Blankenbiller (as Past President)
 Barry Goodhart (2 year term 2018-2019)
 Bob Messner (2 year term 2018-2019)
 Bruce Kleckner (1 year term 2018)
 Ron Whitmoyer (1 year term 2018)
 Ken Speicher (1 year remaining 2018)



RING THE BELL

The Salvation Army has asked SDC to again "Ring the Bell" at a Kettle. Although it's been several years since the SDC has volunteered in this effort, the BOD decided to make this opportunity available for members to "Give Back to the Community". We have selected 2 different locations and dates; Sam's Club on Wednesday, December 13 and Boscov's Berkshire Mall on Friday, December 15.

Available hours at each location are 10:00 AM till 8:00 PM. Please note that we have filled all time slots at the Boscov's Berkshire Mall on Friday, December 15; however, we still need volunteers for Sam's Club on Wednesday, December 13th. Please consider signing up for an hour or two. More information and "Sign-up" sheets will be available at the December Membership Meeting.

BIRTHDAYS

Gary Coppola	12-1
Kevin Grover	12-3
Kim Petsch	12-3
Kathryn Hertz	12-4
Gregg Kerschner	12-5
Lindon Craig	12-7
Sharon Moyer	12-8
Gene Klinger	12-10
Lois Hein	12-10
Guy Clemmer	12-11
Karen Hill	12-13
Debbie Stralis	12-14
Chet Murphy	12-15
Rod Bieber	12-16
Ann Berkis	12-16
Betsy Messner	12-16
Betty Jane Bernet	12-17
John Houp	12-18
Gerald Sipling	12-23
Kathy McDonough	12-24
Melanie Morroney	12-24
Richard Snyder	12-26
David Kodash	12-28
Ryan Marr	12-29
Jane Marquette	12-31

ANNIVERSARY

Pam & Bill Pizzichil	12-2
Beverly & George Hoover	12-5
Gail & Bernard Richards	12-12
Rita & Mark Bullard	12-13
Carole & Barry Kalbach	12-17
Joanna & Dave Roche	12-18
Judy Lynn & Gilbert Carbon	12-22
Debbie & Joe Roulias	12-24

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 26th** of each month. If you don't have access to e-mail, then a type-written document is preferred.



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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



FROM THE BOARD

Your Board of Directors has selected the Greater Berks Food Bank (GBFB) as an organization to which we can "Give Back to the Community". We ask the membership to consider donating money or "non-perishable" food (canned goods or boxed goods) to this worthy cause. For every \$1 donated, the GBFB can acquire \$20 of food through its supply network. 96.5% of all donations goes directly to food & services. Checks can be made out directly to Greater Berks Food Bank and envelopes for your monetary donations will be available at the December membership meeting. Your non-perishable food donations will also be collected at this meeting.

FROM GALEN HALL

Galen Hall offers multiple dining options. Private, semi private, elegant, casual or something in between. Whether it is an company luncheon or evening dinner party, we offer a choice of styles from cocktail receptions, buffet or sit down service, to an intimate gathering with cozy fireplace. Our talented staff will design, customize and prepare menus with your personal tastes in mind.

Upcoming entertainment at Galen Hall:

Joe Lerman and Paul in The Pub Friday 12/1 5:30-8:30pm performing their own blend of Classic Rock and Country favorites spanning the decades

Just Announced for 2018! The best live and local music continues in The Grill House & Pub at Galen Hall. The band NEO TRIO returns on Saturday, Jan. 27th 7-10pm

Holiday Cookie Plate Painting Event. Call a few friends and have fun while you paint a beautiful cookie plate for the holidays. Join us in The Grill House & Pub on Sunday, Dec. 10th. Materials included in price of admission. Food and beverages available for purchase. Full details at www.galenhallgc.com

Serving Christmas Eve Dinner and New Year's Eve Dinner at Galen Hall. Special holiday menus will be posted on website at www.galenhallgc.com, Call 610-678-5424 for reservations.



20 YEARS

Breakfast run to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the delivery of our 1998 Vette, day before Thanksgiving 1997. So many memories, so many trips, 80,000 miles and as enjoyable today as when new. License plate says it all: 1ONR-98. Life is indeed "good". Jack



WEBPAGE AND FACEBOOK

Please remember to check the club web site, skylinedrivecorvettes.org, for useful information about the club and its activities. You will find things like, the club history, news letters, a member photo gallery, and a calendar format for upcoming club events.

Our Facebook page is named Skyline Drive Corvette Club. It is an interesting facebook group where you can see and post activities of interest to fellow SDC club members. Our club sponsors also often post things of interest to our members.



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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 SPONSORED

DECEMBER CLUB MEETINGS

The **general membership** will be held at Alvernia at 7pm on the 11th. The **Board of Directors** meeting will be held at Fisher's at 7pm on the 18th.

SDC HOLIDAY PARTY, DEC 3 See you there

ATLANTIC CITY BUS TRIP, FEB 10

The 18th annual SDC bus trip to Atlantic City is schedule for Saturday, February 10th 2018. SDC will be going too the largest classic car and specialty car show/auction, located indoors at the huge Atlantic City Convention Center. It is the 45th Annual City Classic Car Show.

This notice is for you to check and mark your calendar, to arrange for a dog /cat sitter or whatever, you must do to be available for the one day trip! Yes it is a long way off, but to reserve a proper size bus and get club admission discount tickets, we need to get a good head count, which also help establishing a trip price. The price per person is \$45.00 for members going to the convention center and \$30.00 for member just going to the casino to spend the day, exercising their arm! The price is the same as last year, if we can fill the bus!

I will need names of members and their guests who can commit to the trip by the Dec. or January SDC general meeting, if you are not able to get to any of the meetings, give me a call for details (Barry Goodhart..484-824-5588)

For all the new members or members, this event is a nice one day winter get-a-way to get into the mood for spring. The car show has a fabulous 300 vender flea market with car parts, memorabilia, collectables and much more. In the middle of the convention center is the action packed car auction were you can watch cars cross the auction block or watch on large screen T.V.'s at different locations from there sitting stands. Also a large car corral with all makes and models for sale by their owners.

There will be a signup sheet at the SDC December and January general meeting

OCEAN CITY MD CORVETTE WEEKEND OCT 12,13 2018

We have a block of 22 rooms at the Howard Johnson on the Boards at 12th Street for the 2018 Free State Corvette weekend in Ocean City, Md. October 12, 13.

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 redervation through the hotel, call the above number and ask for Pat Ambler-Perry to be moved into our block. The hotel cannot give you this pricing.

NO EVENTS OF INTEREST

EVENT SIGN UP

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