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CLUB ELECTION RESULTS

All incumbent officers ran unopposed. The only election was for the Bard of Directors. Lisa Heck, Bill Pizzichil, and Ken Speicher each won the full 2 year spot. Cheryl Micale won the 1 year Past President spot. Congratulations and good luck to the new Board members

FROM THE PRESIDENT *by Brian Blankenbiller*

Well gang, 2016 is wrapping up and I hope that everyone had a great year. Please remember our loved ones that have moved on. Congrats to our new Board Members.

I'm hoping that 2017 will be our best year yet! For that to happen, we will need everyone's input and effort. Join the Activities Committee, In-Vette Committee or bring your ideas forward of an activity that you think will be fun for our members.

Our meeting with Bob Fisher's management team went well at the Nov board meeting, looks like there will be more involvement with them next year. I would like to thank Bill at Select Exhaust for the free inspection offer he has provided to the SDC members! Now that's a great sponsor!!!

With that in mind, hope everyone is taking the proper steps for putting their Vettes away for the winter months. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and to see everyone at the Christmas party. Hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and remembers the real reason for the season! Save the wave!



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership renewal is coming. The deadline is December 12th(our club meeting). If you miss that, you must pay a \$5 late fee by February 28th. After the 28th you must rejoin the club, and your tenure towards lifetime membership is reset to zero. Also, you will not be eligible for pro rated dues. The renewal form is at the end of this newsletter.

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NEW MEMBERS this month

Dave Kodasn from Blandon, he drives a 95 Convertible



IN-VETTE NEWS by Bob Messner

I am excited to support our club as the 2017 Chairman of our 38th Annual In-Vette-Tational Committee. All of us appreciate the extra efforts and leadership provided by our past chairman Andy Stalneckner along with special thanks to everyone who contributed in many ways to making our past shows very successful.

Saturday July 15, 2017 has been locked in for our 38th annual car show that will again take place at the Oley Valley Fairgrounds. I encourage each of our 337 members to mark your 2017 calendars and plan to support and enjoy the fun and fellowship of this great club tradition. The In-Vette Committee welcomes every member's support and ideas as we begin planning for our club's 2017 show.

Please contact me if you would like help us on the day of the show, or just share ideas that you may have. Thanks in advance for your support. Email bobmessner@windstream.net or phone 610-856-7862. Of special note, Betsy and I wish each of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and wonderful New Year.

WEBSITE HELP REQUESTED

by Ted Stalneckner

To keep the website new and fresh I could really use some help with content. If you or a SDC group have in outing please make a short write up 2 paragraphs max with a picture or two and email them to DCICadet@comcast.net and I will post them.

If you come across interesting articles that would be usefully for the Corvette community at large email me the link. I know we have several photographers in the group who love to take pictures. Send I few pictures over for the website.

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
Richard Decker	12-9
Gene Klinger	12-10
Lois Hein	12-10
Guy Clemmer	12-11
Karen Hill	12-13
Debbie Stralis	12-14
Chet Murphy	12-15
Larry Lake	12-15
Ann Berkis	12-16
Rod Bieber	12-16
Betsy Messner	12-16
Jack Gage	12-16
Betty Jane Bernet	12-17
John Houp	12-18
Peggy Dubowitch	12-19
Kathy McDonough	12-24
Barbara Gramata	12-25
Richard Snyder	12-26
Maynard Hindenach	12-28
Jane Marquette	12-31

ANNIVERSARY

Pam & Bill Pizzichil	12-2
Beverly & George Hoover	12-5
Gail & Bernard Richards	12-12
Carole & Barry Kalbach	12-17
Joanna & Dave Roche	12-18
Katrina & James Schadler	12-28

FOR SALE

Safety 1st Race Corvette for sale:
It is yellow and in good condition.
It will need a new battery.
Asking \$100.00.
Call Donna, 610-678-1537



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 typewrit-



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MEETING PLACE

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

TELL BOARD WHEN YOU BUY

Bob Fisher Chevrolet will give the club \$75 for each car sold via SDC referral. If you buy a car from Fisher please inform a Board member.

WHAT GAS SHOULD I USE?

By Jack DeLong

The following quotes are excerpts from my 2008 and 2014 Corvette owner's manual:

"Some gasolines contain only the minimum amount of fuel additive required to meet U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations. To help keep fuel injectors and intake valves clean, or if your vehicle experiences problems due to dirty injectors or valves, look for gasoline that is advertised as TOP TIER Detergent Gasolines". 2014 Owner's Manual: "We recommend Top Tier detergent gasolines".

The following quote is from GM Tech bulletin #04-06-04-0471 (August 17, 2009):

"TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline (Deposits, Fuel Economy, No Start, Power, Performance, Stall Concerns: A new class of fuel called TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline is appearing at retail stations of some fuel marketers. This gasoline meets detergency standards developed by six automotive companies. All vehicles will benefit from using TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline over gasoline containing the 'lowest additive concentration' set by the EPA". For the newer direct injection motors that debuted in the C-7 Corvette, Top Tier gasoline is even more critical because the fuel no longer flows pass the intake valves. For a detailed analysis of the new C-7 motor and potential deposits, read Corvette Magazine, January 2017 issue, pages 75 to 78.

Who developed the TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline Standards?

A joint effort by Audi, BMW, Fiat/Chrysler, General Motors, Honda, Toyota, Mercedes-Benz and Volkswagen. The fuel must meet stringent independently certified laboratory analysis tested to ASTM Industry procedures in order to achieve Top Tier certification.

Where can I find the latest information on TOP TIER fuel retailers?

Visit the web site www.toptiergas.com for additional information and updated retailer lists. A TOP TIER gasoline list is also included at the conclusion of this article.

It is also suggested that you treat your car to a fuel system cleaner. I do our higher yearly mileage cars once per year using either GM Fuel System Treatment Plus, part # 88861011 or Chevron Techron Fuel System Cleaner, both 20-ounce containers. On the GM bottle it references "aiding malfunctioning fuel sending units" that is a well-known problem on C-5's. Chevron Techron is available at most automotive stores such as Pep Boys.

What if I have an older vehicle that was not designed for fuels with ethanol?

The website www.pure-gas.org lists stations that retail gasoline guaranteed not to contain ethanol. The site gives the addresses and GPS co-ordinates for these stations. Unfortunately, these stations are few and far between and the cost is high.

The gasoline we use in our vehicles is a personal choice, however, for seven major automotive manufacturers to jointly develop and recommend a standard that exceeds minimum government requirements implies a need that they universally recognize, and that the manufacturers were willing to work together to achieve a desired result.

TOP TIER GASOLINES: 76, Aloha, Amoco Ultimate with Invigorate, ARCO Beacon, BP Regular with Invigorate, BP Silver with Invigorate, Break Time, Cenex, Chevron, Conoco, Co-Op, Costco Gasoline, County Mark, County Mark Plus, Diamond Shamrock, Esso, Express, Holiday, Kwik Star, Kwik Trip Express, Mahalo, MFA, Mobil, Ohana Fuels, Petro-Canada, Phillips 66, PUMA Energy Caribe, QT, Quik Trip, Road Ranger, Shamrock, Shell, Shell(Puerto Rico), Sinclair, Standard, Super America, and Super Fuels, Tempo, Texaco, Tri-Par Qwik Stop and Valero.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Three vampires walk into a bar. The first one says, "I'll have a pint of blood." The second one says, "I'll have one, too." The third one says, "I'll have a pint of plasma."

The bartender says, "So, that'll be two Bloods and a Blood Lite?"



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REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE

Anyone who shops at Redner's Warehouse Markets and Quick Shoppes can help SDC raise some funds. To participate, you need to have a "Save-A-Tape" card. Simply ask for a free card at any Redner's Market.

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

EVENTS

DECEMBER CLUB MEETINGS

The **general membership** is on Dec 12th. at Alvernia at 7pm. The **Board of Directors** meeting will be held at Fisher's at 7pm on the 19th.

CHRISTMAS PARTY, DEC 4

Deadline has passed. Hope to see you there.

Directions to the Inn at Reading for those that haven't been there before: Take the W. Wyomissing Blvd. exit from #422 east or west. This exit is between the Penn St. and the Rte.12 exits. Turn right at the first light which is Park Road. The Inn is .03 miles on the left. The address is 1040 Park Road.

RACE 4 RONALDS HOUSE, DEC 10

They will be accepting donations of unopened toys. Meet at the Breakfast Hut at 8am. Also, see flyer in this newsletter.

ATLANTIC CITY, FEB 11

SDC has a bus going to the largest classic car and specialty car show/ auction, located indoors at the huge Atlantic City Convention Center. The 44th annual Atlantic City Classic City Show. We have been going for 17 years.

This alert is for you to check and mark your calendar, to arrange for a baby sitter/ grand-child sitter/dog sitter, or whatever, you must do to be available for this 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 helps with establishing a trip price. The price per person will be \$45.00 for members and guests going to the convention center and \$30.00 for people going to the casino to spend the day exercising their arm! The price this year is the same as last year, if we fill the bus! There are 36 people signed up for the trip, the bus will have 45 seats available. I will need names of members and guests who can commit to the trip by the January SDC general meeting, if you are not able to get to the meeting give me a call for any details and if you are going.....(Barry Goodhart..484-824-5588)

For new SDC members and members who have never been on this trip, this is a nice one day winter get-a-way to get in the mood for spring fun. The car show has a fabulous 300 vendor flea market and amazing antique section from auto parts to jewelry. In the middle of the convention center is the action packed car auction where you can sit or stand to watch cars cross the auction block, plus a large car corral with all makes and models for sale by their owners.

There will be a sign up sheet at the SDC December general meeting.

WATKINS GLEN, JULY 3

Tom Suchon is working on putting a trip to Watkins Glen together to see the Corvette Racing Team at the Salhens 6 hours race.on July 3, 2017.

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