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First Word

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Just think, in a few short weeks spring will be here and we all know what that means...all kind's of work to do around the outside of the house. Hopefully, we will not have a wet spring since our winter was pretty dry.

With spring approaching, of course, that brings Spring Fling. The committee was formed last month before the meeting and will be meeting again this month. If you want to help out feel free to join us. Two of the biggest things you can do as a member is to get out and get at least one trophy sponsor. As in the past two years we have been successful with getting enough sponsors so that the trophies are paid for and we are able to bank additional monies for donations we make to different charities. The other thing you can do is please help out before and during the show. There is a great need for judges, as always, to make things go smoothly. I can tell you while taking part in other clubs shows they have problems with getting judges and the day goes very slow. For those new members, please do not be afraid to judge because you will not be by yourself. Joe Michalik and Al Whittier will make sure that you are paired up with a veteran judge.

The judging clinic will be held at Claudia's and my home - the time and date to follow.

Joe and Carol Michalik, Norm Wood and I attended the Calendar of Events last month. One event mentioned at the meeting that I especially want to pass along is the Corvette get-together set for October 6th at the Castle in the Clouds. It is a Saturday event so if you want to go and not spend the weekend you can. It will be held on the grassy area with a BBQ, tours of the castle and just great fun with all clubs from around New England. I'm going to be speaking to Dwight Dodd from Lakes Region to find out about getting some rooms set aside somewhere for those that would like to spend the night. Several members have shown interest in going up late Friday and coming home on Sunday. I or Carol Michalik will keep you informed when the time gets closer.

The word on the street is that Mike and Allie DeCampo have C4 watches for sale since they now are proud owners of a 2005 Victory Red Roadster. It took along time to get Mike to give up the beautiful C4 that they have owned for some 10 or 12 years. I guess the purchasing of the C6 watches that we bought in Carlisle really did have a spell on it. Mike DuPont...looks like your next.

Last but not least the committee for the Corvettes Conquer Cancer Fundraiser will be forming before the April meeting. If interested, please come and join in. This event, like Spring Fling, takes a lot of help and it would be greatly appreciated. We may have to find another location to hold the event this year so if you have any ideas please let me know.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting
March 9th at Dobles, 8:00 PM.

Best Regards
Dan Feidler
President



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SAVE THE WAVE

February 9, 2007

The first official club meeting of 2007 was called to order at 8:05pm by President Dan Fiedler. He thanked Dobles for letting us use their cafeteria for our meeting and then got right down to new business.

Our Membership Director, Dennis Granger, reported that we had no new members or perspective members present at the meeting.

Cindy Collins read the Treasurer's Report. Al Whittier made a motion that we accept the report as read and Carol Whittier second the motion.

Officer at Large, Mike Dupont, stated that we received a notice that our dues of \$30.00 for the National Corvette Museum are due and it was agreed that we should send them a check. He also showed the various fliers we have received that can be viewed after the meeting.

The floor was turned over to VP, Carol Michalik, who suggested several social activities the club might be interested in:

- 1) The first was a possible trip up to Maine to view the Bob Baer cars. The last trip the club made there was on 4/21/96. The club agreed that they would like to do that trip again. Joe Michalik will check on dates available with possibilities in late April or sometime in September. If members are interested in this activity, please contact Carol.
- 2) We will once again be bowling at Leda Lanes, Amherst St., Nashua on March 31st. Please let Carol know if you are planning on going as Leda Lanes needs a head count.
- 3) Carol asked if the club was interested in a sail on the Mt. Washington with dinner cruise and it was brought up by Norm Wood that there is also a cruise on Lake Sunapee that we might want to try. Norm will look into that cruise.
- 4) A possible cruise to the winery at Mt. Ascutney was discussed for a tentative October date. Please contact Carol if this is of interest to you.

Dan suggested that if anyone can think of an activity that might interest the club, please contact Carol.

Dan said the Board met regarding Spring Fling and Corvettes Conquer Cancer (CCC) dance. He said that they made a decision that our logo will be made available to members with the option of getting the appropriate flag for your car year(s).

Dean will be posting trophy sponsor forms on the web page and sending them out via e-mail. We need the full co-operation of the membership to get sponsors for Spring Fling as our trophies alone will cost \$1,800.00.

The CCC committee will begin meeting next month before the monthly meeting. If you are interested in helping out, show up at 7:00pm. Richie O has agreed to supply the music once again at a reduced rate which the club truly appreciates.

South Shore CC is having a fund raiser on 3/24 in Weymouth MA to benefit homeless children. Dan is going. If you are interested in going, call Dan.

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Secretary's Report Continued

The Calendar of Events meeting is happening 2/11. Norm Wood made a motion that we once again take a half page ad in the calendar and the motion passed.

Ruth asked about the purchase of CCC bracelets that we were too late in investigating last year. She received permission to find out minimum purchase amounts and costs.

Mike Dupont spoke of the 2009 NE caravan that will be leaving on 8/30/09 for the 15th Anniversary of the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY. The Captains this time are Charlie Olivieri and Paul Harrington. They are trying to get the NH Motor Speedway to agree to be the starting point and then proceed to Bristol, CT for the second kick off point. Mike asked if Gate City would like to be the "host" club for the New England kick off. Carol Whittier made that motion, Jill Dupont second the motion and all were in favor. Hank Vezina made a suggestion that we involve Lake Region also since they are so close to the track.

Allie DeCampo asked if we wished to once again secure the Lions Hall in Londonderry for our Christmas party and it was agreed that we should.

There was no old business to discuss. The next meeting will be on March 9th.

The 50/50 raffle worth \$52.00 was won by Allie DeCampo. There was no membership raffle this month.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made from the floor to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm, and the motion was seconded by all.

Ruth Wintle
Back-up Secretary

ACTIVITIES

Carol Michalik VP/Activities Director

In January Norm, Dan Joe & I went to Calendar of Events.

I will be calling to set up our annual bowling night at Leda Lanes in Nashua on March 31st. I will need a head count at the meeting.

March 11 thru March 18th a few of us will be away soaking up the sun.

Spring Fling is coming up fast so we will need to be thinking about getting penny sale items.

Joe has a call in to Jeff regarding the car collection in Maine. Jeff is checking on the schedule and will be getting back to us soon.

If you want to join us at Leda Lanes and can't make the meeting feel free to e-mail me at carolm9918@comcast.net.

Hope to see you all at the meeting Friday March 9th.

Carol Michalik
Vice President

SOLD!

Be very wary if Dan and Norm invite you to take a weekend drive to Corvette Mike in Plymouth, Mass. You may think you're just going along for a nice little ride, but don't be surprised what happens next...you spy a flashy C6 and all you can think about is how wonderful it would look in your garage parked next to your daily driver. Of course, you can't help imagining how even nicer it would look once properly detailed. (After all, you do have all of those Adams cleaning products that Norm talked you into buying.)

As you probably have already heard, this is exactly what happened to unsuspecting Mike. It was then, that Dan and Norm began plotting to convince him that the time had arrived to trade up. "Remember... there was that red C6 for sale at Carlisle that Allie really liked, but it was already sold when we went back to take a look???"

Soon after, we needed to devise a plan... to make the exchange in the dead of winter while keeping both Corvettes protected and in pristine condition. The '88 needed to be transported down to Corvette Mike and the C6 whisked away to its new home in New Hampshire. Menacing potholes and terrifying images of sheets of ice flung from the roofs of minivans kept Mike awake at night. Well, of course, being a good friend and ever so helpful, Norm called a few days later and said, "Don't worry, Dan and I have it all figured out!"

These pictures were taken the following Saturday:

