



Minutes of March 6th 2019 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill -

Attending: Butch Eddy, Mike Purcell, John & Pam Auliso, Dave Kosla, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dick Valenti, Charlie Messina, Carmen Simonelli, Joanne & Donnie Lamoureux, George Beeker and Fran Bourdon.

Fran opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Mar 2nd 43 Members attended the Post-Holiday Dinner at Mazzeo's. The meal and service was great. We have pre booked for next year for Jan. 25th.

New Business: See the calendar on our website www.corvettesofberkshire.org. Events are added constantly.

Hint Use the "Agenda" option for a chronological listing.

- BOD met at Ted's house on Feb 18th and proposed the below schedule. We reviewed it with some discussion at the meeting and made some minor revisions during and after the meeting. Dave asks that each member reviews the schedule and comment to him by the 20th of March especially on the COB sponsored All Corvette Show comments.
- March 24th Delmonico's Albany (Dave & Marie)
- COB Vette Show Discussion: The BOD members (8) discussed the practice of not financially contributing to the costs of the materials used to run the Car Show. Unanimously we felt this was an unfair burden on the manager of the show. While Ted and a few BOD members funded this function when our finances were low it was felt that our current position would allow us to fund the expenses up to a maximum of \$500 with any excess costs taken from the general funds collected/sponsorships from this event. We felt that this would be our contribution to the Charity which this year is the Pediatric Development Center in Pittsfield. While the BOD approved this move, we decided to open the input to the membership. Anyone who has input should email Dave with their comments by Mar 20th. Based on the comments the BOD will make the final determination.
- Note: After our payment for the Holiday Party, and considering our annual picnic, we will have over \$1,400 in our treasury as free cash for 2019.

2019 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- April 13th Cork 'n Hearth (Joanne)
- May 18th Breakout to Balise Car Show then Supper at Westwood Pub (Westfield) (Carmen)
- May 20th Saratoga Auto Museum/Car show & Supper @ Longfellow's/TBD www.longfellows.com

- June 2nd Tour of National Shrine of Divine Mercy (Stockbridge) then Dinner at Barrington Brewery (Fran) www.marian.org, www.barringtonbrewery.net
- June 23rd COB Corvette show at Ozzie's (John Aulisio) www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- July 6th Pittsfield Commons car show (Rain date 7th)
- July 27th Berkshire Ramble & Club Picnic at Bob & Darlene Rodowicz
- Aug 4th White Flower Farm drive & Lunch (Butch) www.whiteflowerfarm.com
- Aug 22nd - 25th Carlisle
- Aug 25th Motorama North Adams (Gary??)
- Sept 22nd The 1761 Old Mill in Westminster, MA (Fran) www.1761oldmill.com
- Sep 27-29 Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma www.facebook.com/vetestovets
- Oct 13th Clark Art Tour and Dinner at Publyk House (Bennington) (Fran) www.clarkart.edu, www.thepublykhouse.com
- Oct 26th Bowling& Food at Mingo's North Adams www.mingossportsbar.com
- Nov?? International Dinner -- Looking for sponsor and date???
- Nov 16th Lunch @ Red Lion Inn with VIP?? (Dave) www.redlioninn.com
- Dec 7th Zucchini's (Carmen) www.zucchinisrestaurant.com
- Jan 2^{5th} 2020 Mazzeo's (Joanne)& Donnie)

Recurring events 2019 –

- Ozzie's (Thursdays) TBA www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- Guptill's Ice Cream Latham NY June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10 www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows
- Kringle's Candle Bernardston Sunday car shows Mar 10th, Apr 14th, May 19th, Jun 9th, July 14th, Aug 11th, Sept 8th, Oct 13th www.kringlecandle.com
- Hemmings (Thursdays) May16th, May 30th, June 13th, Jun 27th, (Fri) July 12th, Jul 25th, Aug 8th, AUG 22nd
- Ice Cream/supper cruise to Gardner's in Stephentown. Last Friday of each Month - May to October (Cruise-in)
- Leadfoot Lucy (Kohl's Plaza Albany) May 1st and every Wednesday until

Possible additional events: Check calendar for current updates!

- May 11th VIP Poker Run **More to follow
- May 26th Musclepalooza
- June 6th to June 8th Back to the Beach in Old Orchard. A few members are registered.
- Aug 3rd Car Show at Albany VA Hospital
- Sept 6th – 8th Adirondack Vette Festival
- Mohawk Trail/Zoar car shows??
- Bradley Airport Car & Plane show (?)
- Hemmings Concourse d'Elegance Lake George Sept 14-16
- VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com

Treasurer's report: Previous Balance was \$5,268.45 **plus** raffle of \$10, \$50 Holiday Party, \$40 Dues **less** \$25 memorial, Annual Report \$10, Holiday Party refunds \$250, Mazzeo's \$2,086 leaving an ending balance of \$2,992.45. .

Raffle of \$10 was won by John Aulisio.

Next COB Meeting is Wednesday Apr 3rd, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

Club Event SOP – We encourage anyone who is going to attend a “Cruise-in” event, or set up an impromptu dinner, to send out an e-mail to all members who may be interested. This can be done by going to your MOST RECENT e-mail you received from the club... and clicking “Reply All”. That will pull all of the most recent member e-mails into the “To” section for your e-mail. You should **then change the subject (so we know that it is new)** and add the content that you want to send out.

We encourage individuals in the club (anyone) to accept responsibility to coordinate any event that they wish. Whether a small group... or large... it does not matter. The responsibility is not difficult... There are only 5 key points...

1. If the activity involves dining, do we have the ability to sit (at least somewhat) together?
2. Will the establishment provide separate (couple’s) checks?
3. If it is a “fair weather” event (meaning driving the Vettes), is there parking that will be acceptable to those attending?
4. Set the meeting place prior to the drive, if applicable. (i.e. rest area, parking lot, etc... known to members)
5. Maintain a “count” by screening the “Reply All” e-mails that come back from members if the food establishment expects one.

THAT’S IT!

Keep checking our calendar (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/cobcalendar>) for updates. Events are being added all the time. If you hear of an event that may be of interest to the club members, send the information to Dave at DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org and he will post it on the calendar.

Also, Corvettes of Berkshire is on Facebook!  Dave (with the help of Marie) will continue to expand the group. If you have not been “connected” yet, search “Corvettes of Berkshire” on Facebook and put in a friend request (<http://www.facebook.com/berkshirecorvettes>). This is a “public group” and a great way to instantly add photos, updates and ideas. Along with our website (www.corvettesofberkshire.org), we are quickly climbing out of the 18th century!

If you have updated a car or want a different picture on the site please e-mail it to Dave at (photo@corvettesofberkshire.org) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.