



Minutes of Nov 1st, 2017 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John & Pam Aulisio, Ed & Val Anker, George Beeker, Mike Purcell, Ted Kaufmann & Alex, Butch Eddy, Bob Rodowicz, Carmen Simonelli, Donnie & Joanne Lamoureux, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Gary Rougeau, Dick Valenti, Charlie Messina, Dave Kosla, Tom Degray, and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

#### **Old Business:**

- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> COB supper at Brewmaster's. 18 people attended. We discussed future suppers having smaller tables of 6 or 8 since the large table made it difficult to speak to several people at the opposite end and difficult for the server to feed all at the same time and keep it hot. Meals were good and the drive was very enjoyable.
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Ballston Spa "Way you were" car show was attended by Ed with the VIP club. They had a good time and commented on the large number of 60's vintage muscle cars.
- Gary Rougeau attended a Motorama type show in Taylor Texas where they closed off the downtown as they do in North Adams.
- We voted in new members Tom and Deb Degray. Their '95 is their first Vette and they are looking forward to road activities with the club. Both Tom and Deb already know many members in the club. Welcome to the Corvettes of Berkshire club!

**New Business:** See the calendar on our website [www.corvettesofberkshire.org](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org). Many events have been added and there is a lot going on!

- Nov 11 International Dinner (Donnie & Joanne). The email from Joanne is already circulating. She will soon be circulating a master list of who is attending and what they are bringing.
- Dec 9 Zucchini's -- Carmen will soon be sending an e-mail for attendees. He will need a final number by Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **2017 COB Official Planned Events** (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- Jan 13 2018 Holiday Dinner @ Mazzeo's (Dave)

**Recurring events** 2018 – not available yet

**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 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](mailto: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](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org)), we are quickly climbing out of the 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:photo@corvettesofberkshire.org)) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

**Treasurer's report:** Starting Balance of \$2,157.92, plus \$20 in dues and \$21 from 50/50, less the \$25 donation in memory of Marie's Dad, leaving us an ending balance of \$2,173.92.

Raffle of \$19.00 was won by John & Pam Aulisio.

**Next COB Meeting is Wednesday, Dec 6th, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.**

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.