



Minutes of Oct 4th, 2017 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave Johnson, John & Pam Auliso, Ed & Val Anker, George Beeker, Chick Carmel, Mike Purcell, Ted Kaufmann & Alex, Nate & Maria Zuckerman, Wayne & Sue Eastwood, Butch Eddy, Mark Adelson, Donnie & Joanne Lamoureux, Jim Contenta, Ron & Cindy Brouker, Lou Rocha, Mike Sawicki, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Gary Rougeau, Dick Valenti, Charlie Messina, Dave Kosla, Bob & Carol Garrity, Tom & Deb DeGray, and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

#### **Old Business:**

- Sept 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Vette fest in Lake George. No one attended
- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Lake George car show. Dave Kosla attended. He said less burnouts than prior years.
- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Kringle Candles 8-11 AM. No one attended.
- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Jets & Vettes in Windsor Locks. 8 Members attended. Had a great time. Likely to list for 2018.
- Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Ozzie's. Cancelled.
- Sept. 15-17 Pownel Vt. Race track Swap meet & car show. (Remnants of Bennington car show.) No one attended. Dave stated that this was poorly advertized. We will list this for 2018 as soon as anyone provides information..
- Sep 17 The Collector Car Experience Big-E Springfield Ma. No one attended.
- Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> Saratoga Auction at SPAC. No one attended.
- Sep 22-24 Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma. Dave & Marie and Bob and Carol attended. Had a great time. Toured coast on Saturday and attended the auction on Saturday night. Carol has donated handcrafted knitted items for the auction over the years that have raised over \$1,000 for the charity. Thanks Carol on behalf of the entire Club. There were 647 cars this year which is about 100 over last year.
- Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Sugar Hill. 4 cars attended.
- Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Gardner's. No one attended.
- Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> Ozzie's 8 members attended. Last one for 2017.
- Sep 30<sup>th</sup> VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside. 5 Cars attended on a beautiful day. Bob & Carol won a trophy/plaque!

**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!

- Dave commented on the size of the meeting. Possibly the largest ever with 36 members/spouses!
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> COB supper at Brewmaster's. Meet at Harbor Freight at 5:00. Leave at 5:15 for supper at 6:00. Currently we have 18 people.
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Maple Ridge Farms Car show Schenectady NY.
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Okenny's car show.
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Kringle's car show. (last of the season)

- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> St Mary's Academy Cow Plop Car Show, Hoosick Falls NY.
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Ballston Spa "The Way We Were" car show. Rain date the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup> Fall Ty-Rods Auto Swap Meet, Stafford Springs Motor Speedway.
- Dave announced that there is a current "time limited" Lands' End special for free logo and shipping. He will send out an e-mail with the ordering info.
- At the next meeting, we will vote for new members Tom and Deb DeGray who come from North Adams and were referred by the Jozefiaks. Welcome!!

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

- Nov 11 International Dinner (Donnie & Joanne)
- Dec 9 Zucchini's (Carmen)
- Jan 13 2018 Holiday Dinner @ Mazzeo's (Dave)

**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, with no activity leaving us an ending balance of \$2,157.92.

Raffle of \$21.00 was won **AGAIN** by “Lucky” Deb Jozefiak.

**Next COB Meeting is Wednesday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.**

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.