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First State Corvette Club

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The FSCC Meeting was held Wednesday October 1, 2008 at the Bridgeway Restaurant in Smyrna, DE. President Bruce Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Reading and Approval of Minutes.
Motioned by Carole Ann Kisner and approved unanimously.

Established 1970
www.firststatecorvetteclub.org

No November Newsletter if Dues are not Paid

President: President Bruce Ballard welcomed everyone and wanted to update everyone on the executive meeting.

The committee has suggested a mystery cruise and/or the Festival of Lights in Ocean City for November, Bowling for January, and the Atlantic City Car Show/Auction and/or Mid-Atlantic Go Carts for February activities.

Some changes were suggested for the By-Laws. We would like to set aside the selection of a Historian office since most of the pictures are going on the website now. We are going to try and collect all the older photo albums and see if we can get them into the Delaware Archives for storage. Another change would be to appoint a Charity Chairperson each year who would have a committee to help distribute our donation moneys to various charities.. We currently give to one charity, usually a large amount, and the group feels we should spread the amount around among local charities. Jowana Lamb has graciously volunteered to chair this committee and will be seeking members to assist. So far Shelly Weber and Tracy Solloway have volunteered. These members will decide on the number of scholarships to be given out as well.

We would also like to change voting for Member-of-the-Year from the August election to November with the award being given out at our Christmas Party/Meeting. Currently we vote in August and present the award in December. By moving the voting to November it would separate your thought process from picking officers AND a member of the year. Anyone with concerns should voice your opinion to the President.

The committee suggested we donate $250 each year to the National Corvette Museum. We try to donate each year to the museum but sometimes it slips through the cracks and we forget. We'll try to be better in the upcoming years. This suggestion was tabled until the next meeting so we can get other information from Rick about donations.

Lastly, the committee suggested attending the KSI Picnic each year with a display of cars, and Terry & Jowana Lamb have volunteered to bring their camera and printer so each KSI worker could get their picture taken with their favorite car. The club would pay for ink and paper as our donation to KSI each year.

Vice President: . Terry Lamb announced that next months meeting would be at Roma Italian Restaurant in Dover. The restaurant is on Bay Road right before the entrance to Route 1. He is actively sending out email notices of activities and information important to FSCC members. If you are not receiving emails , contact Terry to update you're your email address .

Secretary: Donna wanted to alert everyone that the new Website is up and running. All the pictures currently in the secretaries possession are in the **Picture Gallery**. Anyone having club event pictures, either additions to the ones currently on the site or different ones, I would appreciate you sending them to me by email or snail-mail and I will add them to our group. Some of the ones I had were limited to 3-4 pictures so I'm sure there are others out there.

Also, on Wed. night December 3rd, a group called ROCKAPELLA will be presenting their Christmas show at the Avalon Theater in Easton, MD. If you have seen this group before, you will always look for an opportunity to see them again. They play in this area so little, it is a pleasure to find them close. I know it's a Wednesday night but if we leave Dover at 4:00 pm we would have time to stop for dinner and still make the 8:00 pm show. Tickets are $35 each. Let me know if you are interested. I will send out an email.

Treasurer: Submitted by Marianne Callahan.

Beginning Balance		$
Deposits	$	
Withdrawals	$	
Bank Adjustment		
Ending Balance	$	

A motion was made by Tammy Mounts to approve the treasurers report and passed unanimously.

Membership: Remember, the November newsletter will be the last you receive if your dues are not paid by or at the November meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: Just a mention. Sissy is out again due to surgery. I'm sure she would appreciate hearing from us, one and all. Also, Gary Thurlow is still feeling low and contemplating possible surgery. Another member who would appreciate a phone call.

Club Historian: no report

Publicity: Did you notice the Beachcombers Car Show picture of all the FSCCers attending in the Dover Post? Our one and only publicity chairperson

accomplished this; thanks Jowana. She also mentioned that the Dover Post puts out a magazine of planned meetings with times and locations for local organizations. She said if we had our meetings at the same location each month, we could use this service to let people know about our club. And lastly, Jowana wants to take a picture of the incoming officers as soon as she can get them all in the same room, for the newspaper.

NCM Ambassador: Rick Berry said that the club could consider purchasing a brick or block with the clubs name for the new atrium area at the Museum. He will look into the costs and other information for the next meeting. He also mentioned that the museum is always looking for members and always has raffles going on the website. www.corvettemuseum.com

Parade Chairman: Signup sheets went around for the Home Coming Parades.
CR Homecoming – Friday Oct 24th at 4:30 pm
PolyTech Homecoming – Fri Oct 24th at 7:30
Each school is asking for 6 cars.
If you are interested but could not attend the meeting, or forgot to sign up, contact Marianne.

We were also asked for 1 convertible for the Smyrna Homecoming Parade on Friday Oct 3rd. Darlene Hurley volunteered to bring her car for this parade.

Past Events & Old Business:

Car Flags: The Car Flags are still available. We are selling them to club members for $10 each. See Bruce.

September 7th – (Sunday) Road Rally: Darlene, Marianne and Tammy (with help from Ed Marcelle) put together a fun time with a Road Rally/Scavenger Hunt. You had to put together a child's puzzle before you could get you packet and hit the road. The directions sent you all over western Delaware and parts of Maryland, into bars, cemeteries, and questionable roads. We stopped at peoples houses, had to recite nursery rhymes or fish in a tub. It was great fun, they put lots of time and energy into this activity. The sad part was we only had 2 cars participate – Bruce & Donna and the infamous team Charlie & John.
On our return, the committee served us a delicious lunch in Marianne's barn followed by a walk around the farm, talked to the horses, fed the Koi and watched Marianne's dog Jackie swim with the ducks. We're sorry you missed all the fun and maybe next time you will consider joining us for the day.

Volunteering at Dover Downs: Marianne reported on the group of FSCCers that volunteered to man Gate 15 at the Sat. and Sun. Dover Downs races. We had 10 on Sat. and 14 on Sunday to make two days of hilarious fun. We took tickets, searched coolers for any glass containers, looked in back packs and large totes for the same, and had so much fun. By having these volunteers give a little of their time for the club, the club received a check for $1398.99
We, as a club, would like to man this gate at each of the two Dover Downs races next year and possible make up to $3000. The races next year are June and September. Mark your calendar – don't miss out on all the fun again.

Upcoming Events & New Business

Oct 11th –Saturday- Ronald MacDonald House – The group will meet at the Smyrna Rest Area and leave at 7:30 am to cruise up to Wilmington. Bruce and Carole Ann have volunteered to do the shopping. We are usually done and cleaned up by 10:30 so you can plan the rest of your day.

Oct 11th – Kerbeck's Toys for Tots Run: Kerbeck's annual Toys for Tots run is also the same day as our Ronald MacDonald Breakfast but we understand the meeting time is noon so you have time to get there from Wilmington. I understand you drive the Atlantic Expressway to Kerbecks, you bring a new unwrapped toy, you get to meet Ron Fellows and there is free food and drink. For more information about the starting place, go to the Kerbeck website – or call Marianne, she knows some of the details.

Oct 17, 18, 19 – Hot Air Balloon Cruise – Terry and Jowana have planned a cruise for the club to go to Winchester, VA for a three day weekend for the Long Branch Hot Air Balloon and Wine Festival. Right now we have 8-10 cars going. We will leave Dover on Friday at noon from Greentree to cruise to the Courtyard by Marriott in Winchester, VA., which is approx. 3 ½ hours away. Then on Saturday breakfast, cruise the Skyline Drive for about 50 miles and back thru the valley and dinner to be determined. Sunday we will breakfast at 6am, leave the hotel at 6:30am to meet with the Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club for a display at the Balloon Festival. Advance costs for the festival is $10 and wine tasting is $10, or $16 for both. The signup sheet went around and anyone interested that missed the sheet should contact Terry Lamb.. Don't miss the fun again with the club.

November 6,7,8,9 – Biltmore Corvettes 2008 – This cruise has been **CANCELLED** due to the possibility of bad weather this time of the year in the mountains. Carole Ann will consider a cruise going to the Dragons Tail in the spring. Stay tuned for more information.

February 7th – Saturday – "Sweet Dreams" – a Patsy Cline Tribute at the Schwartz Theater in Dover. Donna Ballard mentioned this upcoming show as a possible club function. Tickets are on sale now and if we purchase 15 or more, we can get a group discount of 10%. Adults are $29 and Seniors or Military are $27. A signup list went around and so far we have 9 interested members. Think about it. Donna will send out emails for more participation Ice Cream afterwards at Friendly's??

2009 FSCC Car Show: Suggestions were made about moving the Annual June Car Show from the Boscov's parking lot since Boscov's is undergoing a change in ownership. The suggestion was to move to Legislative Mall in Dover. The club has had car shows there in the past and had lots of participation and lots of room. It is walking distance to downtown Dover for shops and restaurants. And we could possible have food vendors as well as craft vendors available on the mall. This will be looked into and reported back to the club at a future meeting. Anyone with "in's" around Dover or with the Highway department should contact Brian Kisner.

2009 NCM Anniversary Cruise: Carole Kisner is looking into available hotels in the Nashville area for those interested. At Opryland, the balcony rooms are $233 + tax and the traditional rooms are $168 + tax. She had calls into other hotels and will report at another meeting.

New Name Tags – Carole Kisner passed out the new name tags at the meeting and they were great looking – thanks to Ann Matichak's design. If you didn't get on the first printing, contact Carole Kisner. Carole home number is 302-492-8115 and get your name on the next list.

Make-a-Wish Donation - The representative from Make-a-Wish could not attend the meeting so the presentation was postponed.

Presidents Gavel – Thanks to member Frank Silvaggio's suggestion, the president now has a new gavel to use at meetings. The gavel is engraved "President First State Corvette Club Bruce Ballard". At the end of Bruce's reign as president, RWM will engrave the dates of office on the gavel and we will order a new gavel for the incoming president.

Adopt-A-Highway – Charlie Angione made a motion that the club adopt a highway and the motion was passed unanimously. Carole will look into which 2 mile stretch of road we would be responsible for and see that the signed get printed up by the highway department. There will be a sign at the beginning and end of this 2 mile stretch. The State Highway Dept supplies us with bags, plastic gloves, etc. for the picking up process and we leave the full bags near our signs for pickup. This is only done twice a year so come out and get your exercise courtesy of the First State Corvette Club. And we don't charge those high gym prices either.

Electronically Mailing Newsletters: The subject was brought up about saving club money by not mailing out the club newsletters each month and sending them by email instead. A motion was made by Carole Kisner to discontinue mailing the newsletters and it was passed unanimously. This newsletter will be the last you will receive in the mail. We will be sending some other Corvette Club copies through the mail but not to regular members. If you have a problem with receiving yours in an email, contact President Bruce Ballard.

Other EVENTS

Del Rods 2008 Schedule:
Oct 11 4-8
Oct 25 9-3 Final Car Show

Central Delaware Mustang Assoc
At the Walter L Fox Post, Bay Road, Dover
Nov 1st (toy drive)
October 8th – Endless Summer Crusin in Ocean City, MD (Beachcombers)
October 25th – Wings & Wheels Fall Festival At 8 am – details coming from Beachcombers.
September 3,4,5, 2009 – Anniversary Celebration For the Corvette at the plant in Bowling Green.

Motion made by Tammy Mounts to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 PM
Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Ballard
FSCC Secretary

50/50 won by

Tracy Solloway

Trivia won by

No trivia tonight

Wednesday, Nov. 5th, 2008
Roma Restaurant
Bay Road. Dover, DE
Dinner 6:00 Meeting 7:30

11/1	Tracy Solloway
11/8	Rick Berry
11/8	Robert Mounts
11/14	Debra Zerbe
11/15	Richard Parsons
11/19	Terry Brenwalt
11/23	Frank Silvaggio
11/29	Kim Solloway

Attendance for Oct 1st

Charlie Angione
Bruce Ballard
Donna Ballard
Rick Berry
Linda Berry
Terry Brenwalt
Marianne Callahan
John Cullen
Darlene Hurley
Holly Kehler
Carole Ann Kisner
Terry Lamb
Jowana Lamb
Ed Marcelle
Art Matichak
Ann Matichak
Tammy Mounts
Bill Olechny
Kathy Olechny
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Walter Ruebeck
Billy Scott
Regina Scott
Frank Silvaggio
Dave Solloway
Tracy Solloway
Rose Sturtevant
Scott Weber
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For Club Car Flags – Contact Bruce Ballard (302) 670-0500
Flags are $10 each

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