

Valpo Vettes Club News

Upcoming Events:

04/24 thru 04/26/08: C5/C6 Bash, Bowling Green, KY

05/08/08: Monthly meeting at Valparaiso Library, 7pm

05/17/08: Crown Point show at Carroll Chevrolet

05/18/08: Stray Dog Bar & Grill, New Buffalo, MI

Minutes of the 04/10/08 Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by the President, Jim Mikusevich.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jim Mikusevich asked if everyone received a copy of the minutes, either by email or regular mail. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes for the March 2008 meeting. The membership then approved.

Jim During read the treasurer's report for Diane. The report stated that as of this month there is \$5,786.00 in the checking & savings accounts. It was also noted that the pizza party for March was quite expensive. An alternative site / idea may need to be found for the fall if we are to have one. Also a deposit was given to Casa Del Roma for the Christmas party. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded and approved.

Diane also stated that the club needs to order more flags. A motion was made to order more flags. It was seconded and approved.

Unfinished Business:

The Christmas party committee stated that they had gone to Casa Del Roma and sampled the food that would be on the menu for the Christmas party. The menu that was selected was reviewed with the members present at tonight's meeting. It was estimated that the menu selected would be approximately \$28 per person. The amount to be paid by each member and by the club has yet to be determined. The menu would consist of hors d'oeuvres, main course and dessert. A motion was made to

approve Casa Del Roma and the menu for the Christmas party on December 13, 2008 from 6 pm until 12 midnight. It was seconded and approved.

Bear presented the flyers and signs he had designed / made for the Harbor Car Show to be placed in various places around the area. He also discussed the trophies he has for the show. The gates for the show will open at 10 am.

Jim During reviewed the upcoming club events. He noted that all of the events the club has scheduled have been covered by the necessary volunteers to lead them. He suggested that if anyone would still like to help with the events, their help would be appreciated. Events for the club can still be suggested and added to the schedule.

The C5/C6 Bash in Bowling Green will be April 24-26. Jim During is leading the event. Several members will be attending.

Harbor had some tentative flyers for the membership for the Midwest Corvette Chevy Show August 15-17.

Rhonda handed out information on the Indy 500 trip to the track ("Community Day") on May 21st to those who were interested. More information and a sign up will be provided at the May meeting.

Several members went to the Cruise in at Quaker Steak & Lube in Portage on April 6. The manager at Quaker Steak suggested that if the club would like to have a cruise night, like we had at Target on Friday's, we could have the side parking lot all the way to the hotel. Monday night was suggested for that purpose starting at around 5 pm.

Ken and Cindy brought in information on the Corvettes in the Dells trip. One of the tours that will be offered is to the Wisconsin Speedway.

The Commander from the American Legion came to the meeting and was presented with a donation from the club that was approved at the end of 2007.

New Business:

Diane will have a package of information for all paid members at the May meeting. This package will have a membership roster, cell phone list, birthday / anniversary list and more.

Rhonda had information for a jacket that they saw someone wearing at the Quaker Steak & Lube Cruise In. It has a large C6 emblem on it as well as smaller versions of the other Corvette emblems. She spoke to the person selling them and they retail for \$130 each. If club members would like to place an order for 10 or more jackets, the jackets will be \$85 each plus shipping and handling. Rhonda will take orders at the May meeting, but members must pay at that time for their order.

Bear also brought up the idea of club jackets in either a baseball style jacket or a car coat with the club's name & logo embroidered on it. Ted suggested that the decision needs to be resolved quickly and not drag out for several meetings. A motion was made to form a committee to research styles, colors and design. A final decision on the jacket will be brought to the members by the committee. The motion was seconded and approved. Once the committee has the design club members will be able to order them, however there will be a time limit on ordering and money will be collected up front.

Mike stated that if we find a spot for a Friday car show, like we had at Target, Culvers in Valpo would be willing to deliver food to us.

Ted also brought to the attention of C6 owners an issue he experienced with his car. If you are going to wash your engine on your C6 make sure to cover the fuse box with plastic. The fuse box is not sealed.

Jim Mikusevich suggested that the club do something special this year to celebrate the club's 30th year. He suggested that on the weekend of August 2 and 3 the club cruise somewhere for a nice dinner.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Cindy for the second month in a row.