

# **Valpo Vettes Club News**

## *Upcoming Events:*

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

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

*05/21/08: Indy 500 trip*

*05/24/08: Kobe Cup Run, Crown Point / Lake County Fairgrounds*

*05/31/08: Cruise to Swan Lake*

*06/12/08: June Meeting, Valpo Library*

## *Minutes of the 05/08/08 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 April 2008 meeting. The membership then approved.*

*Diane gave the treasurer's report. She stated that as of this month there is \$5,856.85 in the checking & savings accounts. It was noted that the club's insurance will need to be paid this month. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded and approved.*

*Diane distributed the member's folder to all members present. Due to the expense of putting the folder of information together for all 66 paid memberships, this package is a onetime deal and if you lose yours, you will need to pay \$5 for a new one. To get one of these folders, you must see Diane and sign for it. The information in the folder will be updated from time to time. A list of business owned or skills of the members will be added in the future. If you would like to be added to this list, please see Diane. A resource list is also a possibility for things such as where club members can have items embroidered with the club logo. The club roster will have addendums to it as members join or there are other changes (i.e., address, phone numbers, etc.).*

## *Unfinished Business:*

*Rhonda, Bear and Mike gave an update on the status of the club jacket. They showed 3 different types of jackets and were looking for a general consensus on what type the club would like. A windbreaker style was chosen. Info on the jacket will be put on the website. Rhonda will send out an email with info on how to order the jacket when the committee has everything finalized. They are estimating the jacket will be around \$65 for the jacket and the club logo embroidered on the back. Any additional embroidery will be possible for an additional fee. The person in Hebron who was doing all of our embroidery work previously is back in business and club members will be able to take stuff to him to have the club logo embroidered. His website is [www.graphicpitstop.com](http://www.graphicpitstop.com).*

*Bear gave a rundown of the trophies that will be given out at the Harbor car show. There will be t-shirts for the first 75 entries. Also, Bear suggested that we have dash plaques made for the entries. They would state that it is the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Harbor show and also that it is the Valpo Vette Club's 30<sup>th</sup> year. A motion was made & seconded to order 150 dash plaques. This will allow each paid club membership to have one, as well as the show entrants. The gates for the show will open at 10 am.*

*Jim M. stated that the club had received a thank you letter from the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation for the club's recent donation.*

*Jim M. asked Mary & Jerry K. to head up a 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner cruise to Swan Lake in the fall.*

*Jim During reviewed the upcoming club events.*

*5/16: Valpo Cruise Night. Starting this Friday and continuing each Friday for the summer Valpo will have streets blocked off and security patrolling the area. This cruise is for pre-1974 muscle cars, Corvettes and exotics. There will be a \$2.00 fee to show your car. This will help pay for security. The last Friday of each month the fee will be \$5.00 and dash plaques will be given.*

*5/17: Crown Point Car Show. Club members wanting to go as a group should meet at the Lake County Government Complex at 9:30am.*

*5/18: Lunch at The Stray Dog, New Buffalo MI. Meet at the old Jewel parking lot in Chesterton at 10 am. A signup sheet was passed around.*

*5/18: Roselawn Road Rumble, Tru-Value in Roselawn, IN*

*5/21: Cruise to the Indy 500. Meet at 6:30 am at the Burger King at Routes 2 and 65. We will leave at 7am sharp. Bob H. is trying to arraign a meeting for the club with Max Pappas, the LeMans Racecar driver who is driving in the Indy 500 this year. Max will autograph items for club members (just try to keep it to a minimum amount for him).*

*5/24: Kobe Cup Run, Crown Point at the Lake County Fairground. This is a re-enactment of the old time race that started the Indy 500.*

*5/31: Cruise to Swan Lake for dinner. Meet at the Valpo Wal-Mart on 30 at 4:30 pm*

*6/5-6/9: Corvettes in the Dells. Talk to Ken & Cindy J. if you are interested.*

*6/28: Car show at the Heartland Christian Center in Valpo.*

*8/3: Charity Benefit for Allison and Audrey, sisters both suffering from Quadriplegic Cerebral Palsy, Jasper County Fairgrounds. Jim D. has the poster for more information.*

*8/22-8/23: Street Cruise in Grand Rapids, MI. See [www.metrocruise.org](http://www.metrocruise.org) for more information.*

*Jim D. also reminded club members of the Cruise –In every other Sunday from 12 noon – 6pm at the Quaker Steak & Lube in Portage. The last one was 5/4. Also, some club members have been meeting there each Monday evening.*

*A review of the C5/C6 Bash was given by those who attended. There was the ground breaking for the new part of the Corvette Museum. The Makers Mark Distillery tour was highly recommended. Jim D. suggested that if you were interested in going to next year's bash, you should start planning it in January 2009.*

*New Business:*

*Ted invited anyone interested in checking out a winery in Monticello for a future club trip to meet him at Route 10 & 49 at noon on 5/17.*

*Also, the Port Drive-In in Chesterton invited the club back for an evening of free root beer. It was suggested that we possibly have a short meeting in August and then cruise over that evening.*

*Rhonda stated that the Corvette Restaurant that is going to be built outside the entrance to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green is looking for suggestions for names of sandwiches if anyone has any ideas.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.*

*50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Paul, who donated half of his winnings back to the club. Thanks, Paul!!*