

DVC Planning Meeting - November 10, 2019

Hosts: Pat and Patty Cawthorne

Attendees: Tom and Jaimee Rippert; Ernie and Barbara Feldgus; Lew Phillips; Jeff and Robin Rose; Earl Wanklin; Peter and Nancy Yaskowski; Warren and Nancy Doerner; Dick and Sandy Suffredini; Garth and Susan Gill; Graham and Susan Gill; Adam and Eva Ilnicki; Jim and Diane Sanders; Chuck Daniels; Tony Rizzello; Diane Dotsko; John Hunt; Dave and Karen Paul

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 1:20pm by Chairman Lew Phillips.

General Announcement:

- A custom made mahogany with walnut trim wooden box was made for the gavel and block in honor of our 50th Anniversary.
- Effective this year, minutes will be taken for all (board and general) meetings and posted in the “Member” section of the website.

Treasurer report:

- Current Balance: \$7179.57. This includes some items for 2020 that were paid in 2019 due to prepayments for the 50th anniversary events.
- A report was handed out and reviewed. The following was noted:
 - Club costs are down due to no longer paying for alcohol at all events
 - The club year is now based on the calendar year. The report covers the transactions to date. A final report for 2019 will be provided in January 2020.

Events Chair:

- The report is being moved to the end of the meeting due to anticipated lengthy discussion on next year’s events and the 50th anniversary celebration.

Membership Chair:

- Membership email was sent out on the 28th of October. Contact Chuck Daniels for any changes or if emails are not received. Chuck is updating the car listings. He is requesting that everyone provide information regarding your cars. It was also requested to include your address, phones, and email address on the renewal forms (instead of “Same”), so that we can clean up and verify our lists.
- Dues will remain at \$20.00 per year for 2020. Dues are currently due and should be paid by December 31, 2019. If dues are not paid by February 1, 2020, the new password for the website will not be forwarded to you.

Communication Chair:

- We have set up with a new vendor, LogoSoftwear.com. The company provides a large variety of items with our logo on them. We are able to buy single items or orders in bulk. Links will soon be available on our website.
- Lew will be redesigning the website for our 50th year. Suggestions are appreciated. A volunteer was requested to assist with opinions (Tony Rizzello volunteered).

Old Business:

- The board has created two documents to assist in guiding the club. Copies were made available and will be posted on the “Member” section of the website.
 - DVC Guidelines – A repository of decisions that have been determined over the years. This document is an informal, yet governing reference guide.
 - Some highlights of the new Guidelines were pointed out: Three types of membership (Active, Honorary, Lifetime); All events remain BYOB (hosts may provide alcohol at their own discretion and liability; the DVC will not provide nor reimburse for alcohol); Two year officer terms (extendable); No duality in holding voting offices; \$175 budget per event.

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- DVC 'Job' Description – This document contains descriptions of the positions, duties, and requirements of the board members, committee chairs, and membership.
- New members joining in August through December will pay the standard \$20.00 dues. As a new member, membership will be extended to include the remainder of the current and all of the next year. We want to continue to welcome and include all our new members. That is the basis of our club and why we have lasted all these years as such an active club. It was noted that this extension does not extend to current members who have not paid dues for the current year.

Good of the Club:

- Members were reminded that this is THEIR club. Our goal for this year is... Participate, Volunteer, Serve
- Currently, the Chairperson and the Communications chair are being handled by the same person, Lew Phillips. The new guidelines permit this only as an interim event. His holding of two positions has been grandfathered and also waived due to the upcoming 50th celebration. The club needs to find a new Chairperson to take over in March 2021.

Event Chair & 50th Anniversary:

- Our Club logo is being redesigned for the 50th. Design will be based on the 25th logo.
- There will be a renewed push to have a signup sheet for each event.
- Press releases for our 50th year will be sent to the registers, magazines, and local/regional clubs and organizations. Hank will be writing the article to be published.
- Suggestions for other methods of promoting our club is sought
- Theme for the 50th year is "Driving" – "Driving into the next 50 years".
- Events for 2020 were discussed and placed on the calendar:
 - Following events are already being planned
 - Anniversary Party – March 7, 2020 at the Red Horse Motor Club, Pottstown, PA
 - Car Show – August 1, 2020 at Pennypacker Mills, Schwenksville, PA
 - Christmas Party – December 5, 2020 at the Bay Pony Inn, Lederach, PA
 - Additional events were discussed with several placed on the calendar. The calendar will be placed on the new website. Event hosts are urged to firm up dates, times, and locations.
- We will be using an online 'sign up sheet' this year for all events. The sheet is not only an RSVP, but an "I'll bring..." sign up. It is highly urged that the members use this tool to sign up that they ARE coming and equally important to let us know that they ARE NOT coming. Knowing how many are coming and what is being brought to a food type event is critical. Likewise, driving events need the information so they know who is expected before we depart. If you are cancelling please get in touch with the host.

The DVC thanks all of the members who attended for their input. Participation and creativity will keep the club strong and growing... into the next 50 years!

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Rose, DVC Secretary