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President's Letter

We are coming to the end of 2017, so I would like to recap the passing year and the progress our Club made. Our last event was the Christmas party run by Rose Ricigliano. There were cookies, pizza, wings and pies to eat. We were entertained by "Ramundo" (aka Randy Ruminski) at the key board all night to keep us in the holiday spirit. Hope everyone enjoyed dirty Santa. Nice job Rosie.

Our website is now updated and attracted 20 new members, thanks to the great work of Diane Ruminski and Bob Metz. The newsletter also has improved this year by your articles and pictures of our events to show to our membership what we are doing. The credit goes to Geanine Sobczak and Diane Ruminski for the great job they have done this year.

I would like to thank Joe Peluso who co-chaired with me for the All-Corvette Cruise and the Fall Super Cruise. We had help with good weather, planning, and the hard work from our membership. Both cruises were at full capacity with cars and trucks and that shows the public what we as a Club are capable of doing. Because of these successes, our Club was able to donate more money to the Homeless Veterans and St. Christopher's Outreach Center. Another benefit was our treasury is in a healthier state that will keep WNYCC more solvent in 2018.

2017 was a very challenging year because of the many changes, but your Board made it easier to adjust to them. We had a large increase in new members and hopefully they will become active with new talent and ideas.

I would like to thank all the Officers of 2017 and Joe Peluso for all their help. We have a new member joining our Board; Mike Kremer will join the group next year, and that is what WNYCC needs is new blood. If you are new and want to get more involved with our Club, please talk to an officer or to me. I will be asking for your help in the coming year so don't be shy if I ask you to write an article or help with an event.

To all our members I would like to thank all those that helped structure or helped make WNYCC a fun club that I am proud to be President of.

Have a happy and healthy holiday, and save the wave for 5 more months

Your Prez
Peter Ricigliano
peterricigliano@aol.com

Happy Birthday to:

Rich Schlager (1/20)
Ellen Kost (1/29)

Get Well Wishes to Linda Forman who had her right knee replaced!!

We recently learned that Club member Marc Ferris passed away in August 2017. Our condolences to the family.

Club Members:

You may now order Club Clothing from Ad Works or Advanced Custom Embroidery. Please see their business cards in this month's newsletter.

The Club's mailing address is:

WNYCC
POST OFFICE BOX 9
WEST SENECA NY 14224

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sat Jan 13, 2018 Installation Dinner at the Protocol Restaurant 6-10pm

Please RSVP to Evelyn Wier ewierl@roadrunner.com or 716-481-6991.

Sat Jan 27 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

Sun Feb 11 Sleigh Ride at Kelkenberg Farm, 9300 Wolcott Rd, Clarence Center 2-5pm

Sat Feb 24 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

Wed Feb 28 Ice Cream Social at Anderson's 6pm

3724 Union Rd, Cheektowaga NY 14225

Come visit with Club members and discuss what has gone on this winter and what you are looking forward to this Spring!! All Club members will receive \$5 towards an ice cream sundae!

Please RSVP to Geanine 445-8294.

Sat Mar 24 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

Sat April 28 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

Sat May 19 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

Wed June 13 WNYCC All Corvette Show (Rain Date June 20)

Sat June 23 General Meeting @ Bill Gray's 7pm

2018 WNYCC Officers and Board of Directors:

At the November meeting, the following were elected for 2018:

President: Pete Ricigliano

Vice President: Randy Crist

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FULL MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS DUES ARE \$36.00 PER YEAR.
CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO WNYCC and sent to:**

**Stan Fronckowiak
43 Snowberry Lane
East Amherst NY 14051**

Please be aware if you do not pay your dues by December 31 you will be dropped from membership in the Club. This is in accordance with the Club By-laws.



I have this winter jacket that someone in the club may want. It's a Lands End winter jacket with a hood. It has the WNYCC patch on the back. I have removed my name from the front. I'm sure that the embroiderer can put a name back on. I have attached 2 photos of the jacket. Looking to get \$45.00 for it. Was \$109 when I bought it. It is a large which will fit 42-44. As you can probably guess I am not returning to the club.

Thanks
Ken



Humorous story ...

Cop pulls over Corvette!



There was a “senior citizen” driving down the highway with his brand new C7 Stingray with the top down going 80 mph when he saw the flashing red lights of a state trooper in his rear view mirror. Without thinking about it, he floored it and took off to 100 mph. When he heard the police sirens behind him he finally pulled over.

When the state trooper approached him he said “Officer I’m so sorry I don’t know what I was thinking.”

The state trooper replied “listen it is Friday at 4pm, my shift ends in thirty minutes, if you can tell me a reason why you were speeding that I haven’t heard before then I’ll let you go”.

The man thought about it and said “officer, 3 years ago my wife took off with a state trooper and I thought you were bringing her back”.

The officer said “have a great weekend” and let him go!

W.N.Y. Corvette Club Christmas Party

December 2, 2017 was a fun time for the 27 Corvette Club members attending the W.N.Y.C.C. Christmas party that was held at Lt. Col. Matt Urban V.F.W. Post in Lancaster, New York.

The party, ran by Rose Ricigliano and setup helped by Areta Buchner, was a complete success. A variety of pizzas, chicken wings, antipasto and a delicious assortment of desserts were enjoyed by all. The Music and entertainment for the evening was presented by DJ Randy, Diane Ruminski's brother. Also, for those members that brought a unisex gift, we had a Dirty Santa gift stealing exchange, which entailed either picking a gift off the table when your name was called or stealing a gift that was already picked by another member. It sure brought a lot of laughs.

On a more serious side, the Corvette Club presented a \$900 check to Jim Wier and Carl Malczewski of the V.F.W. Post to be presented to the Homeless Vets Food Pantry and the Veteran's Court. We received a special thank you to the club from the Post, because this money will totally benefit many Veterans in need, especially during this Holiday season.

We are sending a sincere thank you to all members that attended this Holiday event, and the Club sends to all our members a wish for a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the Installation Dinner at the Protocol Restaurant on January 13.

If you still would like to sign up for the dinner, please contact me at 681-2592 before December 27. So far we have 35 members who have signed up, and we would love to have more members join us at this fun filled event.

Thank you,
Evelyn Wier





All Pictures from the Christmas Party are available to view in the Photo Gallery on our website at www.wnycc.com.

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Corvette Documentation

by Jim Shemansky

A service that the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky provides is to help you re-create necessary documents for your Corvette. Those of you who bought your car used may not have original paperwork. The Library and Archives section of the museum can re-print copies of your Window Sticker, the Build Order from the factory and a dealer brochure specific to your car and model year. All you need is your VIN number.

The Window Sticker lists all the standard equipment for your Corvette, a list of added options and pricing for your vehicle when it was new. The total vehicle price and destination charges are shown at the bottom right. My 2005 Corvette Convertible is 12 years old and it is interesting to know that it cost \$60,510 in 2005! Typical fuel economy is listed for the vehicle here and mine was supposed to be 18mpg city and 28mpg highway. On a trip with the WNY Corvette Club to the 1000 Islands, we got 26mpg.

The Build Sheet is put on the car at the Assembly Plant to tell the workers what equipment and accessories exactly are installed. A Paint code of 74U confirmed my paint code and that it was Victory Red that is the color of my Corvette. Both the Window Sticker and Build Sheet confirmed that the dealer my car was sold to was Hardy Chevrolet in Gainesville, Ga.

I was also able to get a re-print of the Corvette dealer brochure for the 2005 model year. It also came with a dvd with interesting facts, product information and promos for the 2005 Corvette.

I had the Window Sticker and Build Sheet plastic sealed by them to keep them preserved. Total cost for my car documentation with postage was \$92.00.

The Library and Archives of the National Corvette museum is limited to the years 1981 to the Present. 1981 is when Corvettes were first assembled at the Bowling Green, Kentucky plant. I joined as a member of the National Corvette Museum for \$50 per year. Membership includes quarterly magazines and a 10% discount on Corvette store merchandise. Their Corvette store is very extensive and they have regular clearance items that are bargains. You can join at: www.corvettemuseum.org





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1966 Corvette Restoration # 6

This will be the last article because the 1966 Corvette will go into storage for the winter. Nick moved it to his garage so we will work on it in the spring.

If you look at the pictures I took lately, it doesn't look any different then it did 6 months ago. The doors, exhaust panel, aren't on the car but we made a lot of progress on the Brake system, Fuel system, Front and rear Suspensions. We replaced the whole wire harness, rebuilt the distributor, changed the intake manifold and carburetor. The last time it was driven was 28 years ago. The big thing is all the mechanics are done, and it will run and stop on its own power but it still looks unfinished.

Before the AAA truck came to transfer the car, we took turns driving it on the street to see how it drove and ran. We were very pleased how well it performed and took it through all 4 gears. The final results is a very tight and fast C2.

We aren't sure what to do with the paint, because it was painted 27 years ago, and never wet sanded and polished. The doors, hood and exhaust were never painted. We will have to put the bumpers, doors, hood and exhaust panel and adjust everything, so when it is painted we won't scratch or damage the new paint and body.

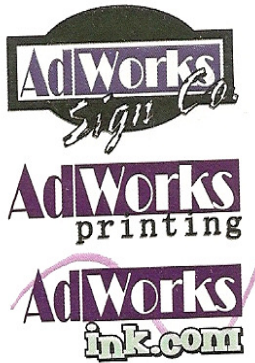
See you in the spring!

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