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## *President's Letter*

Greetings,

I hope everyone is healthy, staying inside and keeping up with the social distancing.

Our members got some sad news that member Dale Milsom's wife passed away on March 18th, she was also the sister-in-law to Board Member Gary Milsom. We're sorry to hear of her passing and the club sends its condolences to the Milsom family.

Because of these trying times, our Board and general meetings for March have been cancelled. We will have to address the next few months' meetings and activities accordingly depending on quarantine rules and regulations. We will keep you informed.

The all Corvette show in June is in jeopardy, I talked to West Herr and they will be closed for the immediate future. We will see how the next few weeks and months play out, we will then address our future events as we have more details moving forward.

Due to our activity meeting being cancelled, ideas for future events may be emailed to Geanine.

Everybody stay safe and healthy and we will be back together soon.

Remember,  
Fun, Friends, Fiberglass (and food too!)

Randy Crist  
President

## Welcome New members!

Diane Roche  
Laurie Sydorowicz

## Get Well

Lou Atti  
Ted Bleuer - emergency eye surgery

## Condolences

Club member Dale Milsom's wife Carol passed away Wednesday, March 18. Carol was also the sister-in-law of our Board member Gary Milsom. Carol waged a long and courageous battle against cancer. Carol was a member of the Club before she became ill. Services will be private. If you want to send a card, the addresses are:

Dale Milsom	Gary Milsom
108 Parwood Trl	125 Denise Drive
Depew NY 14043	Cheektowaga, NY 14227

## **NEXT GENERAL MEETING: TO BE DETERMINED**

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**



Dianne Roche	Mar 5
Paul Gardina	April 14
Jim Jager	April 18
Rick Benthien	April 19
Kevin Ross	April 21
Gary Milsom	April 26

## **Club Members:**

**Club Clothing may be ordered from  
Ad Works or Advanced Custom  
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### Caribbean Cruise

Due to the Coronavirus threat the cruise scheduled for this month has been cancelled. We have rebooked the cruise for **February 20, 2021 - February 28, 2021**. Members interested in participating in next winter's cruise can talk to Mike Kreamer for detailed information.

Regretfully the following are cancelled due to the Corona virus:

See the event calendar for more events.

Thurs March 16 Board Meeting

Sat March 28 General Meeting at Denny's

Tues April 7 Activities Meeting (The VFW Post is closed until at least April 20)

The Officers and Board will continue to monitor the situation and when safe, will begin to re-schedule events.

Everyone please stay healthy and safe!

Geanine Sobczak  
Secretary



Some humor provided by Ray Metzger!  
Something to do while in self-isolation.

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### Van Bortel Coffee and Cars

On a cold, snowy Saturday, February 29th, 9 of our members went to Van Bortel Chevrolet for Coffee and Cars. Some of us went to breakfast at 8:30 at the TA Truck Stop while waiting for the whole group to leave at 9:30 sharp for the 65 mile trip.

We arrived at the Corvette warehouse about 10:30 to see about 100 Corvette lovers and over 70 new and used C1s to C7s for sale. We were treated with coffee and donuts when we walked in. It looked like a big Corvette car show with all the clean cars and all the people checking them out. It was fun to see and talk to other clubs and their members. It wasn't very sunny in side but it was warm and friendly. If you missed this event, there will be more again soon. I am sure everyone is ready for the our Vettes back on the road soon!

**Pete Ricigliano**



### DINNER AND A SHOW

A dozen brave members and guests of the WNYCC met at the Red Robin Restaurant just before the February "Blizzard" hit to enjoy each other's company, dinner, and their choice of a movie at the Quaker Crossing Regal Cinema.

All enjoyed a great meal and a couple of members especially enjoyed their "Screaming Red Zombies"--good for those frigid, February nights! Numerous movies were available with *Gentlemen* and *1917* appearing to be among the most popular along with *Call of the Wild*.

When the weather improves perhaps we can attempt an "Ice Cream and a Movie Night"!

**Bob Metz**





On Saturday evening, March 7, the WNY Corvette Club held its' annual Installation of Officers dinner. What a wonderful dinner it was!

The venue again this year was Russell's, of course. Members and guests were greeted at the door by Debbie Crist and Evelyn Wier - who provided us with our place cards and meal selections. Each person received a beautiful insulated lunch tote complete with the club logo and snacks, too! We can hardly wait for the first cruise night to put our new bags to good use. Preceding the dinner, there was a cash bar and a variety of hors d'oeuvres. The dinner itself was amazing as was the service. Background music was provided by Rockin' Rick DJ whose selection of music was perfect for the evening. Following dinner, a few of our club members were recognized for their outstanding dedication, commitment and service to the club.

Congratulations to Geanine Sobczak, Peter Ricigliano and Randy Crist and thank you for all you do. Special thanks to Bob Metz who put together an incredible slide show highlighting all the many great club events of the past year and to Evelyn Wier for organizing the dinner. All in all, it was a great evening of friends and fun and looking forward to get the fiberglass rolling again.

Maria Gump



## WNYCC/NCC Lake George Fall Event Sept 24-27

Join the WNYCC for a weekend at the Sagamore Resort "The Lady on the Lake"...timeless and elegant. Recreational activities offered: spa and salon, 18-hole golf course, fitness center, indoor/outdoor heated pools and jacuzzis, various sports courts, bonfire area, history talks, nature hikes/walks, beer/wine tastings, boat cruises, horseback riding, Upper Hudson River Railroad, tubing/white water rafting, and so much more!!

Tentative itinerary: **Thurs** - approx. 6 hour ride to Lake George. Check in at the Sagamore Resort, Rooms will range from \$279 to \$379 per night plus taxes (11%) and fees (\$30 per room per day). **Fri/Sat** - in addition to the above activities within driving distance: Ft Ticonderoga, Ft William Henry, Lake Placid (90 minutes 1 way), Saratoga Race Track (40 minutes 1 way). **Sun** - leave for home

This will be a joint event with the Niagara Corvette Club. A headcount is needed to be able to negotiate meal and tour packages. Please advise if you would like to go on this event and how many will be going. Guests are welcome!

John has put a lot of time and energy into creating an event the club could enjoy. This would be a great event to relax and get to know each other. For information contact John Glennon at 716-912-1731; email [johnglennon47@gmail.com](mailto:johnglennon47@gmail.com)

## National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) Q & A with Bob Metz **NCCC Insurance Coverage**

**Q: How do I go about getting an answer to an insurance question?**

**A:** Insurance questions by NCCC members are to first contact their Club Governor. If the Club Governor requires an answer, he/she cannot provide, the Governor is to contact the current Business Manager next. The Business Manager will contact the NCCC Insurance Broker/Provider to obtain an answer. The Business Manager will reply to the Club Governor and Regional Executive with the answer. The Club Governor is responsible to provide the member with the answer.

**Q: I have difficulty understanding the difference with various terminologies used; i.e. Sponsor, Sanctioned, Non-Sanctioned, Covered Events.**

**A:** The best way to describe these, are as follows:

- ⇒ **Sponsor**, as defined in the Webster dictionary, is one who assumes responsibility as surety for, or endorser of, some person or thing. Therefore, a club is sponsoring a function/event such as a car show, participating in a parade, or a mini-run.
- ⇒ **Sanctioned**, are events described in our NCCC Competition Rulebook. Events held during a specified Competition Season by a recognized NCCC club that has received a NCCC sanction number.
- ⇒ **Non-Sanctioned**, are events described in the NCCC Competition Rulebook but without an official sanction number. A Club may host a Non-Sanctioned Event under its own rules and be covered by NCCC Insurance provided:
  1. No conflict with Rulebook.
  2. Non-Sanctioned event requested by club for authorization through the RCD.
- ⇒ **Covered Events**, are events covered by NCCC insurance. They are Official Events which are organized and approved thru the Club, Region, or National organizations and they have made their members aware of the event thru: Minutes, Member Email blast, Calendar, Newsletters, Website, Facebook, Twitter, or other mass communications technology. These include: i.e. Competition, Parades and Social Events. In the event of a claim, you should be prepared to show proof, if asked, if the claim happened at a covered event.
- ⇒ **Spontaneous gathering of club members**, for any reason and regardless of the number of members, are not official events and are not covered by any NCCC Insurance policy.

## WNYCC CLUB FUNDRAISER

There are WNYCC items for sale such as hats, cups, license plate frames, mugs.

**WNYCC Chrome License frames are now \$10 each on sale!**

This is a Club fundraiser and we are hoping all members will purchase at least one frame. Checks should be made payable to **WNYCC**. If you have already purchased a frame, thank you for supporting your Club!!

See Randy to purchase any of these items.



## Something to look forward to:



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*New!*

... We now have a two-sided Introductory Card highlighting the club's logo and website address.

This will be available shortly. It is to be distributed at our "all Corvette car show" as well as any car show that our members attend that has Corvettes or to any Corvette owner (past, present or future) asking for more information about our club. At a future meeting I will distribute a supply to all members, and I will keep a supply on hand with the balance put in the club's storage unit. This means to get the club name out and instill some pride in what we do every year.

*Mike Kremer*

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Sponsors will receive a copy of the monthly Club newsletter.

Contact Gary Milsom at 668-8054 for more info.

## Corvettes at Carlisle August 27-30, 2020

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Peter Ricigliano can be reached at 634-6101

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WNYCC Website - <http://wnycc.com/>

**NOTE: While some events have been cancelled due to the Corona Virus, please realize that other events may also be cancelled depending on the circumstances at that time.**

**CANCELLED Sat Mar 28 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant**

**CANCELLED Tues April 7 Activities Meeting 6pm @ Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post.**

**Sat April 25 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd, Depew 7pm**

Note: this event is dependent upon the restaurant being reopened to the public.

**Sun April 26 VFW Spaghetti Dinner 2pm @ Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave; note this event will depend on if the Post is reopened by that date.**

**Wed May 6 Opening night VFW Post Cruise Night @ Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave; note this event will depend on if the Post is reopened by that date.**

**Sat May 9 Spring Cruise with Niagara Corvette Club** tasting tour of 3-4 local wineries ending with a drive along the Niagara river and a late lunch in Chippewa at Betty's restaurant. Note: This event may be cancelled depending on the situation with border crossings.

**Sat May 16 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew 7pm (one week early)**

**Wed May 20 Alden Cruise night**

**Sun June 7 Fox Run Car Cruise 12-3pm**

**Wed June 10 WNYCC All Corvette Cruise (Rain Date June 17) @ West Herr**

**Sat June 20 Wiers' Wine & Cheese Party**

**Sat June 27 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew. 7pm**

**Sat July 11 Egans' at Lime Lake**

**Sat Aug 15 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew 7pm (one week early)**

**Sun Aug 23 Annual Club Picnic- Evangola State Park**

**Sat Sept 19 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew 7pm (one week early)**

**Thurs/Sun Sept 24-27 Lake George Weekend**

**Sat Oct 24 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew. 7pm**

**Sat Nov 28 General Meeting @ Denny's Restaurant, 4757 Transit Rd., Depew. 7pm**


**Sat Dec 5 Christmas Party at VFW Post**



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