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Newsletter

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President's Letter

Hi Folks:

I think I put my car away about two weeks too early. So far its been a nice Fall, but reality will set in sooner than we think.

We've had some set backs in our area because of the covid-19 infection rate. The Board has a contingency plan for our elections and meeting coming later this month, if we have to go to "plan B" because of the tightening restrictions we will inform all member through e-mail. So stay tuned and lets hope things will get better soon.

It's been a tough year, so everyone stay safe and healthy. Have a nice Thanksgiving.

Remember...

Fun, Friends and Fiberglass (and food too!)

Randy Crist, President



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

WNYCC MEETING CANCELLATION SEE ARTICLE

Sat Nov 28 General Meeting - **CANCELLED**
Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275
3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster NY

Cancelled due to Covid restrictions

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:



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| Mike Taschetta | 12/2 |
| Teri Herberger | 12/7 |
| Karen Krzyzkowski | 12/8 |
| Robert O'Connor | 12/8 |
| Mike Williams | 12/13 |
| John Drogi | 12/21 |
| Marianne Metz | 12/27 |
| Pat Kelly | 12/31 |

WNYCC mailing address:

WNYCC, P.O. Box 9
West Seneca NY 14224

WNYCC Members

Clothing may be ordered from:

Ad Works

182 Central Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086
<https://adworks.ink/>
(716) 685-8077

Advanced Custom Embroidery

Amherst, NY
<http://advancedcustomemb.com/>
(716) 691-2197
(New location to be announced soon)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sat Nov 28 - 6:30pm - General Meeting - **CANCELLED**

Sat Dec 5 - 5:30pm - Christmas Party/Installation Dinner at VFW Post - **The party is still on pending Covid restrictions will allow 45 persons to gather inside for a party.**

June 13-18 2021 - NCCC Convention, Cleveland, OH

Future Events: We will look to have events when and if Covid restrictions allow.

Christmas Party/Installation Dinner

Saturday, Dec. 5 at 5:30pm

Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave,
Lancaster NY

Please patronize the Post for beverages.

Served Buffet:

Fresh fruit
Chef salad with Italian dressing
Sliced roast beef
Slice roasted Turkey
Breaded pork chops
gravy
mashed potatoes
sweet & sour cabbage
ziti
rolls and butter

Dessert

Cost (No Refunds)

\$10 member

\$20 guest (We are near the headcount capacity, 2 seats available - preference will be given to Club members.)

Members are asked NOT to bring any food to share due to Covid

Please let Geanine know if you will attend and send checks payable to WNYCC to:

Michael Creamer
72 Rolling Hills Drive
Orchard Park NY 14127

MONEY IS DUE BY SAT NOV 21

There will be a \$20 unisex gift exchange - if you bring a gift, you get to pick a gift

St Christopher's Outreach Christmas Toy Fund drive for 2020!!



Hello WNYCC friends!

We are reaching the end of the Christmas Toy drive. As of now, 34 WNYCC members have donated \$1420! Thank you all very much for your overwhelming generosity!!

We have an appointment on Wednesday, November 18 @10AM to deliver the toys to St. Christopher Outreach Center. Unfortunately I cannot openly invite anyone to join us due to the Covid restrictions. We will take pictures and post them in the Newsletter along with a full summary of the money collected and number of gifts purchased.

If anyone still wants to donate, email (pattio214@yahoo.com) with the amount, and send me a check, made out to me.

RED OSIER PICTURES 10-18-2020



NCCC Convention in Cleveland, OH - June 13-18 2021

- ⇒ Do you have to be a member of NCCC to attend the convention?
Anyone can attend, but only NCCC members will earn points for competing in events.
- ⇒ Is there any difference in registration costs for an NCCC member versus a guest?
There is no difference in the cost for a non-member versus a member. It is the same price for everyone.
- ⇒ Are guests able to access the hospitality room?
We have a lot of great tours planned.
- ⇒ Is the only benefit (as it relates to the convention) the insurance coverage that is provided?
A person must be registered for the convention to sign up for any tours.



WNYCC MEETING CANCELLATION NOTICE
PLEASE READ REGARDING VOTING

The Sat. Nov 28, 2020 General Meeting at Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275 is **cancelled** due to Covid restrictions.

Given the current Covid situation, and the fact that rates are going up rather than down, the Board has made a decision to cancel the November meeting. Realizing this is our voting meeting, and these are unprecedented times, **the Board has endorsed voting by snail mail ballot.** The offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary are uncontested. **We will vote for the 3 open Board member positions for which 5 members were nominated.**

There are 56 Full members who may vote. Each eligible voting member will be mailed a ballot via snail mail with a return envelope. All ballots will be mailed to the Club Secretary, however they will not be opened by the Secretary but will be held until Nov 28 when the Board will hold a special session to count the ballots. Two non-conflicted members (not Board members) will do the counting of the ballots.

The ballots will be numbered but the ballot counters will NOT know whose ballot they are opening and the Secretary will NOT know who voted for which 3 open Board positions.

The ballots will be mailed on Monday Nov 16 only to those eligible to vote.
All ballots must be postmarked by Nov 23.

As of today, the Dec 5 party is still planned. Our contingency plan would be to postpone the event until the Covid restrictions are lifted, potentially into the new year as a "Winter Bash". If any members are uncomfortable attending or if they have a conflict with the new date, refunds will be given. The only time a refund would not be given is if we have already committed a headcount to the caterer and you decide not to attend the event.

Thank you and Stay Safe!

Geanine Sobczak
WNYCC Secretary

At the October meeting the following were nominated:

President: Randy Crist
Vice President: John Glennon
Treasurer: Mike Kreamer
Secretary: Geanine Sobczak

Board of Directors (3 open positions):

John Drogi
Dan Kuczmariski
Bob Metz
Gary Milsom
Pete Ricigliano

Please see the articles submitted by the nominees in this newsletter, in no particular order!

For the first time ever, the Club will be voting by snail mail due to the Covid Pandemic. Only eligible members (Full Members who have met the requirements per the Club ByLaws) will be mailed a ballot to vote. A postage paid envelope will be included with each ballot to be postmarked no later than Nov 23 to to the Club Secretary. However, the Club Secretary will NOT open the envelopes. Rather they will be opened on Nov 28 at a special Board Meeting with two non-conflicted parties counting the ballots.

President Candidate

Being President the last two years has been a real joy and learning experience. I've worked with very good people on the Board and with their help and the support of the members we can move forward in these crazy times. I always believed that a leader is only as good as the people they work with and the Board and members made my job easier as President. Some of the accomplishments we've done in the last few years has been to increase the Board by one to a total of seven to break any tie which could occur during the Board's vote. There has been a few. Also, we have updated our by-laws, found new places to hold our meetings and opening our Board meetings to members. I would like to ask the members for their support as I run for President another year. Together we can all work towards making 2021 a great year for WNYCC. Thank you.

Randy Crist, President



Secretary

I am seeking re-election as the Secretary of the Club. I have been a member of the Club for 33 years and have held every position on the Board. It seems the one position that has resonated with me all these years is being Secretary. I enjoy communicating with the membership and also assisting the President with various notifications. The Club is a big part of my social life and I look forward to more interesting events in 2021.

Geanine Sobczak, Secretary

Bob Metz

Candidate for the Board of Directors

I joined the Western New York Corvette Club in to learn more about my recently acquired 2004 Stingray and as they say “I stayed for the people”. When I was first looking to join a club there were two clubs in the area WNYCC and COB and quite frankly I didn’t know which club would be a better fit for me. My friend Ted recommended WNYCC as his neighbor Pete was the president and he was going to join.



Bob and his 2011 Grand Sport

I attended my first meeting and this is where I met Pete, who immediately made me feel welcome. Shortly after indicating an interest in joining, the emails about meetings and events began arriving from Geanine (as they still are!) After I joined the club and attended a few meetings Pete “found” a variety of jobs for me to do, it began with working on the club’s website which included adding new sections with photos for each cruise, maintaining the club’s online calendar, updating the link to the club’s newsletter, adding board and general membership meeting minutes, maintaining the club’s digital roster for the website and monthly emails, and a wide assortment of other web related tasks.

Over the past two and half years I have served as a member of the board of directors and for the past two years as vice president. I am currently the WNYCC Governor to the NCCC. I would appreciate your consideration and your vote in next election for the board of directors.

2021 WNYCC Nominee For Treasurer

I appreciate your support at the October general meeting for the club’s office of Treasurer for 2021.

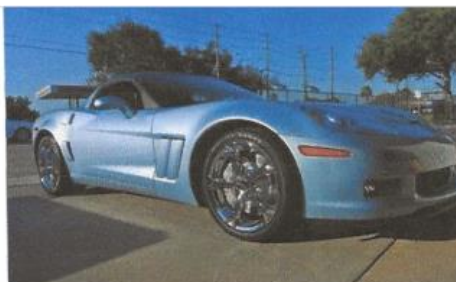
Starting as a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer, in 2018 and through this year, I have enjoyed using my career & educational talents to the best of my ability for the betterment of the club. I hope that by your nomination you have trust in me with the financial matters of the club.

I always welcome your suggestions, questions and/or constructive criticism at any time to ensure that we are all working together for the good of the club and that there is no doubt, at any time, that the club’s finances are secure and being spent wisely.

With all of the restrictions and changes the club has had to face in 2020 because of COVID-19 I look forward to a 2021 that ends much better than 2020 and that we can return to a more normal year of activities where the club is able to do more for its members.

I thank Stan Fronckowiak for being so welcoming, open and accommodating when I joined the club and passing the Treasurer’s responsibilities on to me – may he rest in peace. I also look forward to members stepping forward in 2021 to run for Treasurer (and other positions) in 2022 so that a new perspective can be gained to encourage the club to go in fresh directions in the future.

Respectfully,
Michael Kreamer



Candidates for the Board of Directors



It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as a WNYCC board member for the past two years. Working with Randy, Bob, Geanine, Mike, Dan and Kathy has been enjoyable and rewarding experience. As you all know we have had to make some rather difficult decisions this year. We worked very well together as a group in making those decisions. Call it chemistry, or good karma, I am proud of the choices that were made for our club. Despite the restrictions that our club has had to contend with because of COVID 19, we are still in a favorable position, both from a financial as well as social position. We all worked as a team to accomplish this. If elected to serve as a board member for the coming year I will continue to focus on building this foundation. I also feel as a club we need to encourage more member participation and ideas.

Gary Milsom

November is an important meeting month because it is time to plan the direction of the club by electing the officers and Board for 2021. Being an active member of WNYCC, for 25 years, and watching it prosper with a great web site, newsletter, and activities. I would like to serve the membership as a board member. If elected I plan to work hard with the officers and board to keep our club active, fun ,and the best Corvette club in the Buffalo area.

Thank you
Pete Ricigliano



My wife and I have been WNYCC members since 2018. We have enjoyed being part of this club and getting to know the great members. My leadership experience includes: current President of the Kiwanis Club of Pembroke-Corfu-Darien and Alden Chamber of Commerce Board Member. I have been a business owner for 45 years so I understand the importance of working as a team to make quality decisions for WNYCC including sometimes difficult decisions. My goal if elected as a WNYCC Board Member is to communicate member ideas, have a thorough understanding of issues or decisions to be made, and work together with the Elected Officers to continue building this great corvette club.

Sincerely,
John Drogi

Hello to Fellow Club Members;

My name is Dan Kuczarski and I, along with my wife Mary Ann, have been members of our club for around three and half years. I have served as a Board Member this past year and I feel honored to be nominated again, for a Board seat. My background includes administrative and accounting experience over the past forty years. I feel that the Club offers many outside social events as well as gatherings hosted by Club members. As a Board Member, I would hope to lead and hopefully add to the current direction the Club has taken.

Dan



Saturday, November 7, 2020 Northern Wineries & Breweries

On a beautiful warm and sunny Saturday, seven members of the club gathered for some food, fun and adult beverage tastings. Our first stop was at Miller's Bulk Food and Bakery in Medina for some shopping and browsing. With some extra time on our hands, we made an unplanned stop at Marjim Manor for some tastings there. Yes, it is indeed haunted and yes, we were joined by one of the resident spirits (the non-alcoholic variety), although not all of us were privy to the sighting. From there, we made another unplanned stop at Singer Farms Naturals in Olcott- a great place to go if you're looking to buy some frozen sour cherries to make those Thanksgiving pies. Then it was off to Schultze Vineyards and Winery for, you guessed it, more tastings. Lunch was at Woodcock Brothers Brewery. Their food selection is great and a little eclectic (beef on weck pizza?) as was their beer and cider. Our final stop for the day was Black Willow Winery. The only damper on an otherwise thoroughly enjoyable day was that Bye's Popcorn was closed for the season. Let's hope spring comes quickly!

Maria Gump



National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) Q & A

Bob Metz - Governor for NCCC

Certificate of Insurance:

Q: What is a Certificate of Insurance?

A: A Certificate of Insurance is a document showing what coverage is provided for an event/function a sponsoring club is going to hold. It also shows the dates in which the policy period covers.

Q: Do I have to have a Certificate of Insurance for every event/function the club will host?

A: No. You only need to request a Certificate of Insurance when the venue, where the event/function is held, requests a COI from the sponsoring club. In most cases the venue will identify the name or names and address of the additional Certificate Holder(s) to the sponsoring club to include on the Request for the Certificate.

Q: How do I obtain a Certificate of Insurance?

A: A minimum of two weeks prior to your event, you go to the NCCC Website and scroll down to Insurance Information. Then you scroll to Request for Certificate of Insurance. You MUST fill in all high-lighted fields before submitting to Legacy Insurance. If they are not, Legacy will return your request to you for the proper information. No Certificate of Liability will be issued until all fields are filled in properly. Claims cannot be properly processed not knowing this information. Certifications may not be able to be provided for your event if your request is submitted less than 10 working days prior to your event date, in which case your event will have to be cancelled as your event will not be covered.

Q: What if no Certificate of Insurance is provided for the venue for that specific day and a reportable incident occurs?

A: First of all, if the venue has requested the Sponsoring Club provide a COI to them for the day of the event and you do not provide it to them, the venue will more than likely stop you from having your event. Second, if the venue did not request a COI, your event is still insured under NCCC as described within these FAQs.

Q: What if I cannot get the on-line Request Form to fill out properly so I can submit it?

A: The vast majority of requests are done with no issues. However, there are many types of computers, systems, servers, etc. that may or may not be able to properly allow you to fill out and send your request. Here are several ways you can make this work:

- 1.** Copy off the current on-line form. Write or type in the information you are requesting in the required spaces. Then fax it to Legacy Ins.
- 2.** If you cannot copy off the form, Write or type the required information on a piece of paper and fax it to Legacy Ins.
- 3.** If you cannot fax the information, then call Legacy Ins. once you have the required information documented and tell them what you are requesting.

DUES ARE DUE!!!!

WNYCC Renewal Information - **Dues were due Nov 15**

1. If you are a single member your total renewal is \$36
2. If you are a single member with a spouse/partner membership your total renewal is \$72
3. If you are a single member with a spouse/partner and wish to enroll or renew your spouse/partner as a member of **WNYCC and NCCC your total renewal is \$82**

MEMBERS, SPOUSES/PARTNERS WISHING TO ENROLL IN NCCC FOR THE FIRST TIME

- If you are a member of the WNYCC and wish to become a member of NCCC complete the NCCC application form and return it to Bob Metz, **do not send anything to NCCC.**
- Note: The club pays for one member per household; spouse/partner memberships are the responsibility of the primary member (see paragraph 3 above).

Please contact **Bob Metz 662-0734** if you have any questions regarding **NCCC membership applications** or dues.
Note: All NCCC membership applications are to be sent to Bob Metz, 6052 Emerson Drive, Orchard Park, NY 14127

Please contact **Michael Kreamer 662-4111** if you have any questions regarding **WNYCC dues.**

Note: All membership payments are to made to Michael Kreamer, Treasurer, 72 Rolling Hills Dr., Orchard Park, NY 14127

Club Jackets from Adworks

The WNYCC store is live.

Instructions:

- ~Go to adworksink.com,
- ~click on the 3 gray lines at top left of page,
- ~click on "Shop Now"
- ~click on WNYCC logo and type "WNYCC" for password - ALL CAPITAL LETTERS.

Then shop away. All products have mens/ladies measurement charts where necessary. PayPal CAN be used with ANY credit card even if person does not use PayPal. PayPal has the most safety, Shoppers should add shipping ONLY if they don't want to pick up here at AdWorks.

Thank you!
Dawn @ AdWorks

WNYCC CLUB FUNDRAISER

There are WNYCPC 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.



NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

The Western New York Corvette Club is looking for annual sponsors for our Club.

The Club Sponsor would give us a business card or artwork with pricing as follows:

- Business Card size Ad in the Newsletter and Website **\$25**
- Business Card size Ad in the Newsletter and Website plus link to sponsor's website **\$35**
- Half page Ad in the Newsletter and Ad/Link on Website **\$50**
- Full page Ad in the Newsletter and Ad/Link on Website **\$100**

Sponsors will receive a copy of the monthly Club newsletter.
Contact Gary Milsom at 668-8054 for more info.

Member car pictures and stories are always welcome.
It's great to get to know our members history of corvettes, past & present corvette projects, how you joined WNYCPC, and how you're enjoying your corvettes during this difficult time. As always, non-sanctioned event articles need to be approved through Randy Crist. Thank you!!