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President's Letter

Hello Club Members:

Wow!! I hope everyone is doing well and taking advantage of the bonus days of great weather we are having. Couldn't ask for better weather. It would be great if we could enjoy this weather all the way until next May. We were able to drive our corvette Sunday to the hayride at Akron Acres. It was a fun event. Some of us were able to bring our grandkids which was great. Columbus day weekend, 12 of us went to Old Forge. The scenery was great. We had a good time, lots of laughs, good friends, and good food. We really have great members and friends in this club. Hopefully, we can get more people to join these activities. It's a great opportunity to talk, visit, and get to know everyone. Watch your emails and check out the events in the newsletter for more fun activities planned in the month of November. Also, start planning for our Christmas get together on December 3rd.

Congratulations WNYCC on celebrating 55 years of friends, fun, and fiberglass!!

C1-C8 – they're all great!
Save the wave!

John Drogi,
President



GENERAL MEETING

Sat Oct 29 (one week late) 630pm

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

Come celebrate WNYCC's 55th
year of incorporation

Pizza and cake will be served - RSVP to
Geanine if planning to attend

Costumes welcome!!

Nomination of Officers at this meeting

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Cindy Shephard 11/1
Linda Ross 11/5
Thomas Kazmierczak 11/7
Desiree Benoit 11/17
Patricia LaDue 11/18
James Shemansky 11/23
Charlene Drogi 11/27
John Glennon 11/29



GET WELL WISHES

Debbie Gress
Maria Gump

Sending thoughts and prayers
Dan Kuczmariski

NEW MEMBER

Robert Bellinger

Attention WNYCC Members
Clothing may be ordered from:

Advanced Custom Embroidery
8445 Ernest Road
Gasport NY 14067
<http://advancedcustomemb.com/>
Debbie Adams 716-868-5325

Sheila Saint has sample clothing and a
catalog with available clothing
(including a nice selection of ladies wear)

WNYCC 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Note: This is not a complete list of all events but just those coming up in the next two months as well as those we need a headcount for!!

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3pm Gordie Harper's Restaurant, 3333Lockport Olcott Rd, Newfane NY

We need a headcount for this event!!

Sun Nov 6 VFW Post Steak Dinner – 1145am Cash only \$15

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

The Club will eat in the Post Hall so we need a headcount to reserve tables.

The dinner includes steak, potatoes, corn, and chef salad

Sat Nov 19 Steel Leaf Brewing Company (formerly Dave & Busters) 7pm

Eastern Hills Mall 4545 Transit Road, Williamsville

Steel Leaf Brewing is not only a brewery, but an "indoor park" area which offers games like Kan-Jam, cornhole, Pong golf and XL Pong (AKA beer pong).

In addition to beer, wine and seltzer or cider are also available.

For 15 or less people, we would be able to order off the menu. For more than 15, we would be required to purchase something from the mix and match buffet

Menu. We need a headcount to determine interest in this event and what the cost may be.

Sat Nov 26 General Meeting 630pm

Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY (681-8387)

Election of 2023 Officers and Board

Sat Dec 3 Christmas Party at the VFW Post – details forthcoming

Wed Dec 7 VFW Post Cruiser Christmas Party

Open to all cruisers. Please bring a dish to pass or a snack and a canned goods donation for the homeless veterans.

PROPOSED WNYCC BY-LAW CHANGES

The Officers and Board are proposing two ByLaw changes to be voted on at the October 2022 meeting. The bolded text is the new wording

1-Proposed ByLaw change to increase the initiation fee to \$30 starting Jan 1, 2023. This change is needed due to the increase in prices of name tags and tee shirts.

Current ByLaw

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Proposed change

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2-Proposed ByLaw change about non-club events

Current ByLaw

ARTICLE FOURTEEN - MISCELLAENOUS

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3. A Club Event is defined as an activity which is published in the newsletter or announced via email and which all members MAY participate. Club events may be held in conjunction or cooperation with other clubs or organizations. **A Club member may communicate non-Club event activities via their personal email to Club members if it is clearly identified as a non-Club event.**

EVENTS UPDATE FOR 2023

The Officers and Board have suggested some changes to events where there is a maximum capacity for the event. As the Club continues to grow, we want to be fair to all members, and while this is not a problem yet, for future planning purposes, it was felt we should make this change now in anticipation of potential issues with capacity at 2023 events.

Starting January 1, 2023, if there is a capacity limit on an event, (for example, Lime Lake), members will have priority to sign up first by reserving/communicating this to the Events Committee during a time frame to be determined by the Event Coordinator. After that time frame has lapsed, non-members/guests may be signed up by a member.

We anticipate this will only happen a few times during the year. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The Events Committee (Geanine Sobczak & Maria Gump)

NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

At the October meeting, nominations for Officers and the Board will take place. We re-open nominations at the November meeting and then vote. If anyone is interested in running for a position, you must meet the following criteria:

- New members, you must attend 3 meetings and 3 events to become a Full Member and be eligible to run for a position.
- Full members must have attended 4 meetings and/or events during 2022 to be considered an active member to vote or run for office.
- An Associate member may not vote or run for office per the By Laws.

High Level Description of Positions:

President: runs meetings and appoints committees

Vice President: in absence of President, will run meetings and appoint committees; serves as Chairperson of By Laws and runs the Annual Family Picnic.

Treasurer: has care and custody of all money belonging to the Club; shall give an account of finances at the meetings;

Secretary: keep minutes and records of the Club; attend to all correspondence and present any communications to the Club

Board of Director(s):

The business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of two members at large, the officers, and the past President. The Past President shall serve one year only. After one year, the Past President will no longer serve on the Board. This position will then be opened to any full member to run for the Board.

Note: there will be three open Board of Directors position for 2023.

WNYCC DUES ARE DUE BY NOV 15, 2022

WNYCC Renewal Information:

1. Individual dues are \$36
2. Couples dues are \$72
3. WNYCC will pay for one membership per couple in the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) if a member wishes to belong to NCCC.
4. NCCC for Spouse/partner dues to be a member of NCCC are an **additional \$10 paid by the member.**

⇒ **WNYCC MEMBERS, SPOUSES/PARTNERS NCCC ENROLLMENT FOR THE FIRST TIME**

WNYCC members who wish to join NCCC should email Sheila Saint at 67bdustchevelle@gmail.com or call 716-936-1041 for an NCCC application form or any questions about NCCC membership process.

⇒ All applications should be returned to Sheila Saint, **do not send anything to NCCC!**

Please contact Mike Pabst (716) 348-0602 if you have any **WNYCC dues** questions. Make checks payable to WNYCC with "Dues" annotated on the check and mail to: Mike Pabst, 135 Denise Drive, Cheektowaga, NY 14227



CORVETTE FOR SALE

1978 Indy Pace Car Corvette, decals available for car, 4-speed, asking \$10,000 or best offer.
Call Jo Ann at 716-741-9325



Selling the original rims from our 1992 Vette. They are 17 inch rims in near mint condition. \$700 or b/o.
Kelly Mayback
716-725-8886
Kback120@yahoo.com

National Corvette Museum Factory Tours

Since 2017, the National Corvette Museum Corvette assembly plant tours have been on hiatus. The tours stopped initially while GM made updates to the factory in preparation for the C8 Corvette. The hiatus was extended with the coronavirus pandemic. Tours expected to start again by the end of the year. This may be a fun club activity to start planning! Let Geanine and Maria know if you're interested.

Autoblog: <https://apple.news/AhI8YI4fIRQmzPDwdo1spZg>

HILTON APPLE FESTIVAL - 10/1/22

Submitted by Pete Ricigliano

7 cars assembled at the Flying Js to travel about 60 miles to Hilton Applefest. Weather was mid 60s and the sun came out making it a perfect day for a car and Arts and Crafts show, There was good music, displays, over 500 cars, thousands of people, and great food to choose from. After awards were given out we took the long way (Rt 19) home along the lake.



Cars and Coffee - Submitted by Pete Ricigliano

Non-club event

This was the last Car and Coffee of 2022 at the Eastern Hills Mall. This event runs from 9a-12p usually the last Sunday of the month. I decided to leave my house for this event at 10:00 because it was a last minute event and thought it would be poorly attended. The weather was very sunny and about 60 degree. When I arrived at Mall, to my surprise, there was about 500 cars and the lot was full. It took a while to find a place to park so I could walk around and check out the cars and people I knew. This event was almost cancelled because of problems in the past with cars speeding and acting like morons. To eliminate that problem there were 2 sheriff's cars with light running and that solved that problem. I will be looking forwards to more of this



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Non-club Event - Autocross at the Bills Stadium

Sunday Oct 16 was a perfect day to watch one of our members (Joe Egan's yellow Z06) show his driving Skills at the Bill's parking lot . There were about about 6 WNYCC cheering him on . This Auto Cross is held on on a large parking lot course that set up with pilons. The cars have to run against at time clock .There are many classes because of the many different cars . It was fun to watch drivers push their car to their full potential and not get in trouble with the police . If you would like to attend any of these car event ether to watch or try your skulls in a safe controlled way, let me or Mark know .

Photos and article submitted by Pete Ricigliano



2011 Corvette Grand Sport

Crystal Red Metallic Color, Titanium Gray Interior, Mileage 42000, 6.2 Liter LS3 436 HP, Auto Trans w/6 Speed Paddle, Keyless Access/Push Button Start, On Star/Theft Deterrent Sys & Alarm, Removable Roof Panel, Power Heated Seats/ /Auto Dimming Mirrors, Xenon High Intensity Headlamps, Bose AM/FM/XM 6-CD, 3LT Preferred Equipment Pkg Group, Chrome Aluminum Wheels, Exhaust Dual Mode Performance, HID Display, Many more options to list, w/Original Window Sticker, asking \$36,000 or B/O.
Call Dan - 716-648-4855 Land Line; 716-748-9933 cell



Old Forge, NY Trip - 10/8/22-10/10/22

Photos by Pete Ricigliano and Charlene Drogi

President John lead 12 club members to Old Forge. We made record time getting to Utica to enjoy a 2-hour lunch at Applebee's. The Water's Edge Inn proved to be a comfortable venue within walking distance of stores, shopping, and restaurants. The weekend was perfect for viewing the fall foliage. Saturday evening we ate at the Brewside Grill and Test Kitchen. On Sunday, we rode the little train that couldn't. It was all good though many laughs were had. We were able to get some shopping in before dinner an Italian Restaurant called Billy's. The day ended with fun conversations in the sitting area of the Inn. Before leaving Monday, the Eagan's and Drogi's visited the Chairlift. Despite the overcast skies the view was spectacular. Overall, It was a great weekend full of laughs and getting to know each other.

