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President's Letter

Hello Everyone:

As we are getting ready to celebrate the New Year, I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the holidays. They seem to come and go faster every year.

As we close out the year, I would like to thank everyone that contributed to make our club a good one in 2023! From the officers, board of directors, and you the members, I would like to say thank you for all the events and activities you've helped at or attended. It was greatly appreciated. I always say, *your club is what you make it* and the number of participants has certainly made it great!!

With everyone's help, we were able to present the VFW with a great donation for another service dog. In doing so, we've helped another veteran in having a better quality of life.

I want to welcome our two new Board of Directors, Charlene and Maria. Both are active members and have helped our club in many ways. They should be a great asset to our club as Board members.

I want to recognize Mike Pabst and Frank Martin for the time they served on the Board. Thank you both for your time and contributions. The Officers and Board work very hard behind the scenes discussing club matters and activities. Although our lives are busy, we volunteer our time so our members have a quality club to participate in.

I hope 2024 brings our members good health, happiness, and the ability to enjoy life!

Happy New Year
President John

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Sat January 27, 2024 at 6:30pm
Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275,
3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mark Stephen	1/7
Edward Bosiacki	1/18
Richard Cusack	1/21
Ellen Kost	1/29



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dennis Tos

GET WELL WISHES

Get Well wishes to Areta Buchner who has been in a rehab facility for her back for the last two weeks.

Get Well wishes to Maria Gump for her back issues

Debbie Adams from Advanced Custom embroidery has decided to not take on any more orders until January to care for her husband who had open heart surgery. Our thoughts are with them both.

Debbie is not giving up on the business, just not able to take on anything more until January. Thank you, Fran Bull, for passing along the information to the club members.



2024 WNYCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thurs Jan 4 - 6pm - **West Herr Tech Night**

West Herr Chevrolet, 8040 Transit Rd, Williamsville NY 14221

Pizza and wings will be served at 6pm.

Contact Geanine if you plan to attend as we need a headcount

Sun Jan 14 **Dinner & Xmas Lights at the Red Osier Restaurant**

6492 Main St, Stafford NY 14143

4pm dinner and afterwards enjoy the lights display

We need a headcount. Please go directly to the restaurant

Sat Jan 27 630pm **General Meeting**

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

Sat Feb 24 630pm General Meeting

Sat March 23 630pm General Meeting

Sat April 6 - 5pm - **Installation Dinner**

The Columns at Altons Restaurant , 2221 Transit Rd, Elma NY 14059

Buffet dinner, More details to follow!!

Fri April 12 **Buffalo Bisons Baseball & Friday Night Bash**

Club member John Oryszak is a Bisons season ticket holder and was able to secure a suite for the game along with food (hot dogs, chips, pretzels, Coke). The cost would be approximately \$33 per person which includes your ticket.

Sat April 27 General Meeting 630pm

May 14-21 - **NCCC Convention in Joplin MO**

Sat May 18 General Meeting 630pm (3rd Saturday due to Memorial Day weekend)

Sat June 22 General Meeting 630pm

Sat June 29 **BBC Concert at the VFW Post** \$10

No July meeting

Sat Aug 24 General Meeting 630pm

Mon Sept 9 Fall Cruise (rain date Tuesday Sept 10)

Sat Sept 28 General Meeting 630pm

Sat Oct 19 General Meeting 630pm (3rd Saturday due to Halloween)

Sat Nov 23 General Meeting 630pm

Sat Dec 7 Christmas Party at the VFW Post

No December meeting

WNYCC - 2024 Officers & Board Members

Congratulations to our new 2024 WNYCC Officers and Board Members:

President: John Drogi
Vice President: John Glennon
Treasurer: Sheila Saint
Secretary: Geanine Sobczak

Board Members:

Gary Milsom
Maria Gump
Charlene Drogi

We thank Mike Pabst (current Treasurer) and Frank Martin (current Board Member) for their hard work serving on the Board.



WNYCC Super Bowl Pool

John Oryszak is running a WNYCC Super Bowl Pool at \$10 per square. You may purchase a square by contacting John at 716 479 3188.



Honorary Member from England

Hello Peter

Hoping you are all well, I guess you are in the midst of the Buffalo winter? I had the first dry roads here for 3 weeks so the 72 came out for a run. I am looking to fit a new throttle cable as she has developed a tight spot where the cable is binding a bit, and difficult to accelerate smoothly from low revs. The cable seems a couple of inches too long and has to route with two tight turns. Hope to improve things there. I have a new plastic pedal pivot to fit as well.

Hope you all have a happy Christmas and new year and spring comes early so you can get the corvettes out again. How is Nick's C2 coming on? I am still working on the workshop and still loving the 72. Jilly bought me a black hurst shift knob for xmas so will enjoy fitting that on boxing day. Send my best wishes to all in the clubs and will keep you posted of our adventures. All best for now, your vette friend over the water

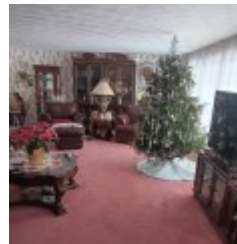
Gary

It is always good to hear from you and I hope you and family are well. As you know we are in the winter months, but there are still corvettes on the road because the weather has been very mild. We only got about 2 inches of snow where I live so far and my corvette is stored until early spring. I keep it in the old home where your 72 stayed for 8 fun years. Today I went back to check on the C7 and make sure the mice were still well fed with traps in the shed, and you can see how I store it. I love the pictures you send that shows how beautiful the color is. The regular factory color was white, but I fell in love with C5 2003 electric blue!

Nick's 1966 corvette is still at the paint shop, and he is waiting very impatiently for them to get started and finished the job! If it gets finished before I die, Nick said I could use it for cruise nights in the spring when they start again. Did you ever find the vacuum leak in the headlight system, and fix the transmission leak?

Rosie and I wish you and your family a very, Healthy, Happy .and safe Merry Christmas.

Your friend across the big pond
Peter (Ricigliano)



Hi Pete,

Yes, I fixed the vacuum issue, don't ask me how though. I replaced check valve and filter which made no difference but I wanted to eliminate them. I pulled off a few vac hoses and refitted them then it sort of just fixed itself and touch wood seems to be working properly now I fitted new corvette letters to the rear as they were just getting a bit edgy and today fitted the hurst shift ball I had for xmas, I had refreshed the shift plate and ash tray door recently so this just finished it off. I have not tackled the trans leak yet but just keeping her filled before every run. I am still looking for the perfect saw / grinder to cut the crossmember out with so I can fit the flange kit to make it removable . I was going to ask your thoughts on why a lot of early years vettes sit lower on the drivers side rear. I see it is shimmed more on that side already , should i try adjusting the rear spring bolts to help ? Or had you set things as best could be? Will keep you posted, have a very happy new year. Ps the C7 looks a beast

Potential 2024 Event

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Activities

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Please contact Geanine Sobczak if interested in participating in this event. 2024 rates should be available in January.

2023 Spring Rates

Rates include lodging, 3 meals daily, snacks, and activities. Rates do not include tax or gratuity.
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WNYCC article in the Lancaster / Depew Bee Paper on December 28, 2023. Service dog "Terry" is pictured. A great partnership that benefits our veterans. Picture submitted by Jackie Stevens.



CHRISTMAS PARTY



Pawsitive for Heroes from Evelyn Wier

WNY Heroes runs a program called Pawsitive for Heroes to train and provide service dogs to veterans who qualify. The Matt Urban VFW Post has sponsored two dogs to be trained at a cost of \$5000 each.

This year the Club was able to collect \$640 in donations towards food at the All Corvette Show in June. The Club then donated \$3360 to give the Post a check for \$4000!!

Our members made personal donations of \$1094 towards a service dog. Club member Jackie Stephen made 2 Afghans to raffle off which collected another \$1075.

With all these monies collected, Jim Wier and the Post are going to give another \$5000 for a service dog that will be sponsored by WNYCC.

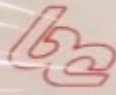
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