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President's Letter

Hello to everyone this month.

It was great to see so many members at the March General Membership Meeting. We had some new members and potential new members check us out. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed our meeting. We have a lot of events coming up.

Mother nature has really tricked us this month. It is supposed to be spring and we have 6 inches of snow and 10 degree weather. Hopefully, it's coming to an end so we can get on with our spring chores and getting our cars out to drive.

Our next event is the Installation Dinner that I'm looking forward to. I believe we have approximately 50 members attending. It is usually a good time to socialize and get to know everyone better. It promises to be a nice night of good friends, good food, and live music.

I hope for our April meeting we can drive our cars, it would be encouraging.

C1 - C8 they're all great!
Until next time,
President John

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Sat April 27, 2024 at 6:30pm

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Robert Cassenti 4/1
Gary Brockman, Jr. 4/4
Jim Jager 4/18
Gary Milsom 4/26



GET WELL WISHES

Areta Buchner - fractured leg

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Anthony Jones

WNYCC CLOTHING.

**** More Information to Come****

The Board is currently looking into a new vendor. More information should be available by the next meeting.

WNYCC License Plate Frames

A limited number of WNYCC **chrome license plate frames** are available for **\$10** each. Contact President John if you want one. Checks should be made payable to WNYCC and mailed to Sheila Saint, Treasurer.



2024 WNYCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat April 6 - 5pm - Installation Dinner. (see page 3)

The Columns at Alton's Restaurant, 2221 Transit Rd, Elma NY 14059

Fri April 12 Buffalo Bisons Baseball & Friday Night Bash, Suite #1 – enter at Pettibones and take the elevator to the Suite level. Suite opens at 5pm – game starts at 7pm; We are at maximum capacity for this event.

Sat April 20 Stink & Drink at the Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY

From 1-4pm and tickets are \$12; All you can eat !!! Contact Evelyn Wier for tickets at 481-6991

Limburger/Liverwurst/Fried Bologna/Rye Bread/Lazy Pierogi. Drinks available for purchase.

Sat April 27 - 630pm - General Meeting at the Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY

Sun May 5 Joint Spring Cruise with Niagara Corvette Club. This is a rain or shine event!! (See page 3)

930am meet at Clinton Rossler plaza in Cheektowaga, Dimitris, Restaurant, Lucy Desi Museum, National Comedy Center can take, Cost \$39 per person to tour both museums

May 14-21 - NCCC Convention in Joplin MO

Wed May 15 VFW Cruise Night – Opening Night – Shine Only

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

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

Mon May 27 Memorial Day Parade - Meet at Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY; Free refreshments after the parade at the Post.

Mon June 3 Alden Cruise Night - 5-8pm – Shine only - Alden Town Park, 13140 W Main St, Alden NY

Mon June 10 Lockport Cruise Night featuring Corvettes, Ida Fritz Park, 105 West Ave, Lockport

Wed June 19 West Herr All Corvette Cruise (Rain Date Thurs June 20)

West Herr Chevrolet, 8040 Transit Rd, Williamsville NY 14221

Sat June 22 - 630pm - General Meeting

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

Mon July 1 Alden Cruise Night 5-8pm – Shine only - Alden Town Park, 13140 W Main St, Alden NY

Mon July 8 - 630-8pm - Buffalo River History Boat Tour - \$25 pp - Leaves from Canalside

If we can get **30 people to sign up** we can get a private tour just for WNYCC

Fri July 19 - 4-8pm - St John the Baptist Car Cruise, 2021 Sandridge Rd, Alden NY 14004

Sat July 27 Wiers' Wine & Cheese Party, This event is limited for 45 persons

Mon July 29 Wurlitzer Cruise Night featuring Corvettes

No July meeting

Fri Aug 2 St Gabriel's Super Cruise, 5271 Clinton St, Elma NY (1/4 mile east of Transit)

Sat Aug 3 Pets Alive Car Show

Sun Aug 4 COB Corvette Caravan - There is also a Cruise Night with a picnic on Sat Aug 3 at the Angry Buffalo at the Rose Garden on Wehrle Dr, Williamsville (See page 5)

Sat Aug 17 Annual Picnic at Alden Town Park (See page 4)

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

****Event Review: The Screening Room****
Submitted by Maria Gump

On Monday, March 11th, 20 members of the WNY Corvette Club met at The Screening Room in Amherst for a delightful evening of cinematic entertainment and culinary indulgence. The evening began with an incredible array of food offerings, courtesy of the members in attendance. Served buffet style, there was something there to please every palate from A to Z. From the amazing appetizers, delicious desserts and savory sandwiches to the homemade pizza, no one left hungry!

The highlight of the night was undoubtedly the movie screening. It tells the true story of how a British teenager Jann Mardenborough, who grew up playing Gran Turismo, a sim racing video game, went on to become a professional race car driver. In 2011 he won a Gran Turismo video game competition, beating 90,000 entrants to earn a professional racing contract with Nissan. He had no previous motorsport experience, having played only sim racing video games instead. As the movie unfolded, we got to witness a trio of unlikely underdogs: a working-class gamer, a former race-car driver and an idealistic motorsport executive become a formidable racing team. The movie concluded with Jann placing ****spoiler alert***** third at LeMans. Jann continued his successful racing career up until 2020.

Watching the race scenes on the big screen was riveting and nerve wracking at the same time. We learned at the end of the movie that Jann worked as a stunt driver and assisted in the production of the film. At the end of the evening, the film was raffled off and Bob O'Connor was the lucky winner. He was thrilled!

All in all, a great evening was had by all.

Installation Dinner

Saturday, April 6 at 5pm

The Columns at Alton's Restaurant,
2221 Transit Rd, Elma NY 14059

Business Casual Attire

Live Music: Oyer Morgan Group

Buffet dinner featuring:

Italian wedding soup, garden salad with
balsamic vinegarett dressing, roast beef,
chicken marsala, bow tie parmesan pasta, garlic
herb mashed red potatoes,
and baked apple crisp.

The cost is \$50 per each member or guest.
Members will receive a partial refund,
the amount to be determined.

No refunds will be issued after money is due
on Saturday, March 23 when the headcount
is called into the restaurant

Make checks payable to **WNYCC** and send to
Sheila Saint, 696 Borden Rd,
Cheektowaga, NY 14227



Sunday, May 5

Joint Spring Cruise with Niagara Corvette Club

Rain or Shine Event

930am meet at Clinton Rossler plaza in Cheektowaga
10am leave for lunch in Dunkirk
11am-1230pm Dimitris for lunch; Order off limited menu
1230pm leave for Jamestown
130pm Arrive in Jamestown
Park at the National Comedy Center parking lot
Three block walk between museums

Lucy Desi Museum takes about 1 hour
National Comedy Center can take 2 to 3 hours
Both close at 5pm
Cost \$39 per person to tour both museums

Please send checks payable to WNYCC to:
Sheila Saint, 696 Borden Rd, Cheektowaga, NY 14227
Money is due by Monday April 15

"Oldest" Member of WNYCC

President John presented Lynn Wells with an engraved WNYCC glass to commemorate Lynn's 41 years as a WNYCC member (he joined as a toddler 😊).



Creative Storage Wine and Cheese Event

Submitted by Maria Gump

On a rare leap day, over 30 of our club members were treated to a delightful, delicious and educational gathering hosted by Diana Augspurger and John Glennon at their Creative Storage showroom in Buffalo.

From the moment we walked through the doors and into the store, we were greeted by the warm hospitality of our hosts, who spared no effort in making everyone feel welcome. The showroom itself is nothing short of spectacular! Not only on display was the cabinetry that is made on site, but all the things that can go inside them. Creative, indeed!

As the members mingled and explored, we were treated to a selection of wines, provided by Grapevine d'Vine, one of our sponsors. Along with the wine, there was a lovely cheese platter, delicious submarine sandwiches and a wide variety of beverages that added to the ambience of the evening. There was even a basket raffle filled with lovely goodies from the store. Patti O'Connor and Gary Milsom were the lucky recipients.

But the highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the tour of the shop where the cabinets were made. Diana explained to us all of the steps that go into producing the incredible cabinetry that is built right there on the spot. Amazing!

Throughout the event, Diana went above and beyond to ensure that our members had a memorable experience. Whether it was sharing insights into the cabinet making process or simply engaging in lively conversation, her passion for her business was evident in every interaction.

I believe the members departed with a newfound appreciation for the craftsmanship that went into creating the stunning pieces on display. But more than that, they left with fond memories of an evening of friendship, fun, and food....the fiberglass will be coming soon.



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WNYCC PICNIC - August 17, 2024

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The park has ample parking, a large pavilion, restrooms, playground and a kids wading pool. There is a paved walking path around the park and a nature trail. Corn hole, horse shoes, and/or can jam games will be available to play.

Members may bring an appetizer, snack, or dessert to pass and beverage of your choice. It'll definitely be a day for friends, fun, fiberglass, and food too!

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Contact Gary Milsom at 668-8054 for more information

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM NEWS & EVENTS

Welcome to our first “monthly” National Corvette Museum information center.

We are proud to be your Ambassadors representing WNY Corvette Club to the NCM.

Since “Corvette” weather is rapidly approaching let’s jump into “What’s happening at the NCM”. It’s less than 6 weeks away from the kickoff of the onsite annual Michelin **NCM BASH** taking place, **April 25-27, 2024**. If you have attended in the past or are not familiar with this event, it features GM, Michelin, & Mobil 1, and tech seminars. Guided road tours, guided tours of the NEW Luster Realistic Art Exhibit, and Motor Sports Park will be hosting their Bash High Performance Driving Experience on Wednesday and Thursday of Bash week. You never know what may be revealed at the BASH.

****NEWS FLASH****

Although the Assembly Plant is closed for tours until further notice, there are a limited number of “Plant Tours” available for those attending the BASH. There is an additional cost for the tour besides the BASH registration. Cost to register: Lifetime is \$35pp, member is \$40pp and non-member is \$50pp.

To register, please call Melissia@270-777-4556 NCM Members can register Online. For more information on the BASH, go to the <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/> website, click on EVENTS, then Museum Events, the calendar will open for all presently scheduled events. Also, make sure you are signed onto NCM e-News to get the latest on event registration and updates.



Thank you, George and Karen Sparks
WNYCC NCM AMBASSADOR
George Sparks Cell: 716-432-8799
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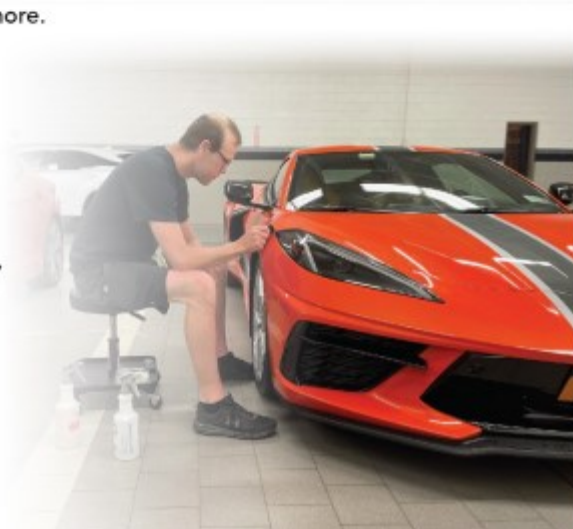


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