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#### President's Letter

Hello Club Members:

As I work on my message for this month, it is hard to believe March is almost over and April is next week. March gave us some teaser days that made us want to get our corvettes out of the garage and take them for a drive. Hopefully, April won't disappoint us and we'll have our corvettes out in the nice weather.

Speaking of which, I hope everyone is watching their emails for upcoming events that are being planned. The Event Committee has been busy putting together a list of fun events. We will discuss these activities at the March 26 General Membership Meeting.

Members are encouraged to bring new idea for an event to the activities meeting (same night as the General Membership meeting). There will be clipboards passed around to sign up for activities that members want to sign up for. It is important to get a head count on these activities.

Great food and friends were enjoyed at The Olive Branch for dinner on March 19. We look forward to getting to know our new members at upcoming events.

Until next month, keep safe and healthy.

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

John Drogi, President

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Sat Mar 26 - 6:30pm - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster Pizza will be served, headcount needed -RSVP to Geanine call or text 716-445-8294 or email

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

Doul Cardina	4/14
Paul Gardina	4/14
Jim Jager	4/18
Rick Benthien	4/19
Kevin Ross	4/21
Gary Milsom	4/26

#### **CONDOLENCES**

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mark & Janet Mattar on the passing of Mark's mom.

## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Attention WNYCC Members

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#### **WNYCC 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sat Mar 26 - 6:30 pm - General Meeting/Activities Meeting, Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster. The Clutch Artists Calendar of Events will be available (one per address) at this meeting so we will discuss upcoming summer events.

Tues Mar 29 – 5:30pm - Anderson's Ice Cream Social, 3724 Union Rd, Cheektowaga NY 14225 (near Galleria Drive) Call, text, or email Geanine if you are going 716 445 8294.

Sat April 2 – 1-4pm - Stink & Drink Party (same day as Installation Dinner) - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster NY 14086 - \$12 per person for all you can eat Limburger/Liverwurst/Fried Bologna - Drinks available for purchase. Pay at the door.

Sat April 2 – Arrive 5:30pm; Buffet Dinner 6:30pm - Installation Dinner - Ripa's Italian Restaurant, 4218 Walden Ave, Lancaster NY (Page 3 newsletter)

Thurs April 7 – 6:30pm - The Screening Room Cinema & Arts Café, 880 Alberta Dr, Amherst NY 14226, \$10 per person, We will see a car related film, You may bring your own food however alcoholic beverages must be purchased. Headcount needed! Please RSVP to Geanine; call or text 716 445 8294 or email

Sat April 23 - 630pm - General Meeting - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster

Sun April 24 – 1145am - VFW Spaghetti Dinner \$12 cash only - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY (681-8387) Includes spaghetti & meatballs, chef salad, bread & butter, coffee & dessert. Headcount needed! Please RSVP to Geanine; call or text 716 445 8294 or email. We will have tables reserved to dine in at the Post.

Sun May 1 – 11:45am - Brunch at the Roycroft, 40 S Grove St, East Aurora, NY 14052 The price is approximately \$42 per person with tax and tip but does include Bloody Mary's and Mimosas. LIMITED TO 18 PERSONS; Headcount needed by Sat April 16! Please RSVP to Geanine; call or text 716 445 8294 or email. Corvettes are optional as there is limited parking.

Sat May 7 – Seneca Lake Region – All day event

Meeting at 845am at the Top in Alden we will cruise to Avon for breakfast to Peppermint's Dinner and then onto Willard Asylum for the Chronic Insane for a photo op with the Corvettes. Next to Muranda Cheese Company in Waterloo then Sauders Store in Seneca Falls and finally to Fleur de Lis Brew Works around 4pm.

Please RSVP to Geanine; call or text 716 445 8294 or email

Monday May 9 Alden Cruise Night- opening night Shine only

Wed May 11 Opening Cruise Night @ VFW Post 5pm Shine Only

Tues May 17 – Pautler's Cruise night – opening night – shine only

Saturday May 21 General Meeting 630pm (one week early)

Mon May 23 – Wed May 25 Thousand Islands - 20 person minimum

Mon May 30 Lancaster Memorial Day Parade

June 11-17 NCCC Convention in Atlantic City - Contact Pete Ricigliano (See full page insert in newsletter)

Sat June 18 Wine & Cheese Party at the Wiers'

Wed June 22 All Corvette Cruise at West Herr (Rain date Wed June 29)

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Saturday June 25 General Meeting 630pm

Friday July 8 – Board boat at 7pm; Sails 7:30-9:30pm - Grand Lady Sunset Cruise – Rain or Shine - Cost is \$33 (boat ride only, per person) - adults only (See newsletter page 5)

Thurs July 21 – COB Super Cruise at Eastern Hills Mall

No July meeting

Sat July 30 Gathering at the Egans' at Lime Lake

Sun Aug 7 COB Corvette Caravan

Sat Aug 13 Family Picnic in Sheridan NY

Saturday August 20 General Meeting 630pm (one week early)

Aug 25-27 Corvettes at Carlisle – Contact Pete Ricigliano 716-634-6101 with any questions Hotel: Carlton Hotel and Conference Center – 1-717-774-2721 - Cost: \$115/nt total - Rooms are being held under the name Corvettes of Buffalo - 10 rooms available ~ 20 min drive via turnpike to the fairgrounds

Mon Sept 12 Fall Cruise (Rain Date Tues Sept 13)

Saturday Sept 17 General Meeting 630pm (one week early)

Sun Sept 18 Pembroke Kiwanis Car Cruise and Fall Festival

Saturday Oct 29 General Meeting 630pm (one week later)

Saturday Nov 26 General Meeting 630pm

Sat Dec 3 Christmas Party at the Post

No December meeting

#### NCCC Waiver Information

A: General Rule: "If it is a competitive event or a parade waivers or a car show, waivers are required".

The concept is to use waivers where risk is higher. Including but not limited to the following are examples where waivers are required: • Parades (both driver and passengers) • All Sanctioned and Unsanctioned Competition

Events • Autocrosses • Rallye's • Car Shows • Test & Tunes • Driving Schools • Fun Runs • Funkhana (driving & non driving) • Economy Runs • Gymkhanas • Slaloms • Time Trials • drag events •

Events taking place on a track or course at speed • Waivers are not required for meetings or "drive and dines" or cruises when members meet at a location and drive to a venue.

If the Drive is a long one or encompasses other activities along the way, such as an overnight trip or a poker rallye, waives should be used.

#### **WNYCC Members Receive Commendation**

Pictured below is Commander Jim Weir (center) presenting Jane Gapinski (left) and Annette Pukalo (right) commendations for making hats scarves and gloves for Homeless Vets. Jane made an unbelievable quantity of hats and scarfs. Thank you Jane and Annette for caring for our homeless veterans!



#### 2022 INSTALLATION DINNER

#### Ripa's Italian Restaurant

4218 Walden Ave, Lancaster NY 14086

Arrive 5:30pm; Buffet Dinner 6:30pm

The Club will pay a portion of members' dinners. Guests will pay full price Members price \$25; Guest price \$45

#### The buffet menu is as follows:

Cheese, vegetable and cracker plate,
Sliced Turkey,
Boneless Breaded Pork Chop,
Rigatoni with marinara sauce,
Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans Almondine,
Glazed Carrots
Salad and Bread
Ice Cream with mint sauce



#### Anderson's Ice Cream Social

#### Tues March 29 at 530pm

Anderson's, 3724 Union Rd, Cheektowaga NY (near Galleria Drive)

Everyone pays for their own food and ice cream. Call, text, or email Geanine if you are going - 716-445-8294.

**Note - this is the Anderson's near Galleria Mall**. The store on Transit is closed for renovations.



#### Watkins Glen Opening Weekend



#### APRIL 9, 2022 (Rain Date 4/10/22)



Pete Ricigliano is coordinating a trip to the Watkins Glen opening weekend. Contact Pete Ricigliano at 716-634-6101 if you're planning to go or if you have any questions. This is a shine only event, so if the weather is bad both days the event will be cancelled.

Ticket Pricing - \$30 per car at gate 2

11am - Meet at the Pembroke Rest Stop on the I-90 11:30am sharp - Leave rest stop 2pm - Arrive at the track (The trip is approximately

**2pm** - Arrive at the track (The trip is approximately 122 miles via the thruway and will take about 2 hours to get there.)

\*Customers are highly encourage to print waivers ahead of arrival, visit <a href="www.theglen.com">www.theglen.com</a> to download Opening Weekend Track Lap Waivers - All waivers must be signed and witnessed at the Track

- Bathrooms and food concessions will be open
- Spectators allowed
- Shopping in town for those not interested in the track
- We will meet for dinner following the track laps

This car event is open to all sports car clubs and will be a shine only event. Those that would like to drive on the track with their Corvettes or watch will go to the gates. Bring you steel car if your vette isn't on the road yet. If you ever wonder what it is to drive you corvette on a real track, this is your chance. There will be a pace car leading the cars to control the speed and keep it safe.

#### **INTRODUCING THE NEW C9 MODEL!!**

For 10 days in February, President John was able to test a prototype C9 Corvette. The new model has paddle shifters, adjustable suspension, and run flat tires like previous models. Storage space is limited, 0-60 times are based on the driver. Several members have test drove this model in the past few months. We look forward to hearing their feedback. This C-9 model will be available to current Corvette owners in approximately10-15 years.



#### March 5 **VFW Meat Raffle**

Members walked away with some great prizes while supporting the VFW. Many laughs were enjoyed throughout the evening.







Treasurer Mike and President John having some fun comparing pork roasts. Debbie Gress and Board Member Sheila Saint show off their winnings!







President John doesn't have to go grocery shopping for some time. Secretary Geanine looks forward to barbequing Mineo & Sapio sausages.

#### March 19 **Olive Branch Dinner** Members enjoyed good food and fellowship!



#### **GRAND LADY CRUISE**

Yes it is early to start thinking about summer events but this ride only has 50 tickets available and we have a deposit on 30 of them!!

> Friday July 8 - Rain or Shine The boat boards at 7pm Sailing time is 730-930pm

Cost is \$33 (boat ride only, per person) adults only We need a commitment to purchase tickets. If you say you are going, the Club will purchase a ticket for you and you are responsible for paying for that ticket. There are no refunds.

Note: The boat has a new location with parking at 275 Ganson Street (not at RiverWorks)

Please send checks payable to WNYCC to: Michael Pabst 135 Denise Drive Cheektowaga NY 14227

Annotate on the check this is for the Grand Lady

#### **MONEY IS DUE BY SATURDAY APRIL 2**



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- ~Go to adworksink.com,
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Thank you! Dawn @ AdWorks

#### WNYCC CLUB FUNDRAISER

WNYCC Chrome License frame - \$10. WNYCC Hat - \$10. NCCC Patch - \$5.

Checks should be made payable to WNYCC. If you have already purchased a frame, thank you for supporting your Club!!

See John Drogi to purchase any of these items.





# Atlantic City, New Jersey June 12th - 17th, 2022

2022 NCCC Convention Online Registration begins on Tuesday, February 1 at 10:00 AM

Register as soon as possible for best hotel reservation NCCC website: <a href="www.corvettesnccc.org/">www.corvettesnccc.org/</a>

Link for the 2022 NCCC Convention Hotel: 2022ConventionHotelnfo.pdf (corvettesnccc.org)
Link for the 2022 NCCC Convention Q&A: conv2022 planning.pdf (corvettesnccc.org)

Philadelphia Trip

**Friday** 

#### DATE DAY TIME TENTATIVE PROPOSED SCHEDULE - (Updated 10/23/21)

6/11/2022 Saturday 10:00 am 4:00 pm Early Registration-Hotel Check In 11:00 am-4:00 pm Corvette Mall Set Up 11:00 am-4:00 pm Tech Inspection

6/12/2022 Sunday 8:00 am-5:00 pm Registration-Hotel Check In

10:00 am-4:00 pm Corvette Mall 12:00 am -4:00 pm Hospitality

9:00 am-4:30 pm Tech Inspection

6:00 pm-10:00 pm Welcome Party (Appetizers / Entertainment) (No Pay)

6:00 pm-9:00 pm Corvette Mall

6/13/2022 Monday 8:00 am-12:00 pm Concours Car Show

8:00 am-12:00 pm People's Choice Car Show

9:00 am-3:00 pm Indoor Funkhana

10:00 am-4:00 pm Corvette Mall

12:00 am-4:00 pm Hospitality

6:00 pm-11:00 pm Plated Dinner 2021 Championship &

National Recognition (Pay \$20)

6/14/2022 Tuesday 8:00 am-5:00 pm High & Low Speed

9:00 am-4:00 pm Bus Trip-Philadelphia

9:00 am-4:00 pm Bus Trip-Cape May

11:00 pm-5:00 pm Corvette Mall

12:00 pm-5:00 pm Hospitality

6:30 pm-9:30 pm Boardwalk Scavenger Hunt

6/15/2022 Wednesday 9:00 am-1:00 pm Rallye

9:00 am-4:00 pm Bus Trip-Cape May

9:00 am-4:00 pm Bus Trip-Philadelphia

12:00 am-5:00 pm Hospitality

11:00 am-5:00 pm Corvette Mall

7:00 pm-10:30 pm Hawaiian Luau Pool Party (Appetizers/Entertainment)

6/16/2022 Thursday 8:00 am-5:00 pm Drags

9:00 am-1:00 pm Tuckerton Seaport & Baymen's Museum

12:00 am-5:00 pm Hospitality

11:00 am-5:00 pm Corvette Mall

6:30 pm-9:00 pm Corvette Mall

6:30 pm-10:30 pm Pajama Party (Buffet Dinner and Entertainment) (Pay)

6:30 pm-10:00 pm Valve Cover Race & Model Car Contest

6/17/2022 Friday 9:00 am-10:00 am Group Breakfast (No Pay)

10:00 am-12:00pm Convention Competition Awards, Closing Ceremonies & Passing of the Flag

CONVENTION PRICES AT A GLANCE DAY ACTIVITY PRICE Monday Award Banquet \$20.00 People's Choice Car Show \$30.00 Judged Car Show \$30.00 Funkhanna \$30.00 Tuesday Low Speed \$55.00 High Speed \$85.00 Philadelphia Trip \$99.00 Cape May Trip \$70.00 Scavenger Hunt \$20.00 Wednesday \$30.00 Rallye

Cape May Trip \$70.00 **Thursday** Record Drags \$65.00 Bracket Drags \$65.00 Matching Times \$35.00 Tuckerton Seaport Trip \$50.00 Pajama Party Buffet \$50.00 Adult Valve Cover Racing \$30.00 Adult Model Car Show \$15.00 Youth Valve Cover Racing \$10.00 Youth Model Car Show \$10.00

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