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To promote good fellowship, cooperation and mutual interest among owners of Corvette Automobiles. To encourage, without profit to the corporation, interest and pride in the ownership of Corvettes. To promote interest in and encourage the science, skill and ability of driving the Corvette. To encourage the various sporting activities in which Corvette automobiles can legally participate. To provide social activities and recreation for our members.

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**Next Meeting: October 6, 2021**

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 Bellmore Memorial Library, 2288 Bedford Ave, Bellmore - one block south of Sunrise Highway on  
 Bedford Avenue. PARKING IS LIMITED, and is primarily street parking.

Board of Directors Meetings, *Third Wednesday of the Month* – *7:00 to 9:00 PM*

Next Meeting: **The BOD meetings will be closed until further notice due to COVID-19**

## The Problem with Fuel Efficient Vehicles

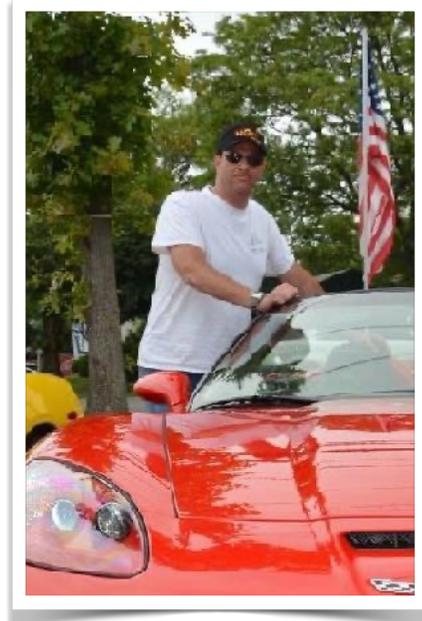
by Lloyd Rosen, Editor-in-Chief

The dreaded Long Island Expressway. Locally known as the LIE, this backbone of Long Island has been broken for some time now. Particularly within the past year, anyone who has driven westbound from points east on the LIE has found themselves engaged in a teeth-clenching slalom in a desperate bid to avoid a growing crop of pot holes. Usually, this task is actually aided by the ever-present crawl of traffic on the LIE, but if you're lucky enough to find a stretch of road where you're able to match, or even exceed the posted speed limit, spotting and avoiding these pot holes becomes a serious test of eye-hand coordination. Make a mistake, and you'll be rewarded for your efforts with a damaged tire or rim. In a late model Corvette, this can easily amount to an expense of \$300 or more.

Why is it so difficult to keep this major highway artery in better condition? I'm sure you can guess, it comes down to money. Our modest Long Island Expressway, also known as I-495, is a small part of the Interstate Highway System, a system of highways proposed by President Eisenhower in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956. This network of interstates, criss-crossing the entire country was built by the Federal Government, but the roads are owned and maintained by the states in which they were built. Part of the funding for interstate maintenance comes from the Highway Trust Fund, which in turn, gets it from fuel taxes.

If you're wondering why the LIE, along with so much of the Interstate system seems to be crumbling, you can look to these taxes. Travel to the world-famous autobahn in Germany, and you will witness a highway system the US can only dream of. In fact, it was the Autobahn that inspired Eisenhower in World War II to build an American interstate system. Eisenhower witnessed first-hand the military benefits of a modern highway system, making possible the speedy and efficient deployment of troops and materials. Today, the Autobahn remains a well-maintained standard for Highway systems around the world.

The Federal fuel tax today is 18.4 cents per gallon for unleaded fuel. Amazingly, this rate has not changed since 1993, and clearly has not kept up with inflation. One dollar in 1993 has the purchasing power of 53 cents today. For contrast, the fuel tax in Germany today is €0.6545 per liter. Converting Euros to dollars, and liters to gallons, the fuel tax in Germany is equal to \$2.94 per gallon of gas, and that is just the tax! Forget about the



**Lloyd with his 2011 Grand Sport Convertible**

cost of the fuel itself. Ever wonder why gas is so expensive in Europe, and why they just don't seem to like SUV's and trucks over there as much as here? Now you know.

So the problem we have is not enough taxes to pay for road maintenance. I know - I'm making a lot of enemies by suggesting we don't pay enough for gasoline, but let's face reality - roads cost money, and big roads cost big money. It's got to come from somewhere. Just to keep up with inflation since

1993, we should be paying at least 50 cents more in federal fuel taxes for each gallon of gas. But to be fair, we also need to adjust for the one-two punch our Highway Trust Fund has taken to the revenue-generating machine. Since 1993, the fuel economy for the average passenger vehicle has gone from 20.88 mpg to 25.69 mpg. This may sound great for the environment and for fuel cost savings, but it has also resulted in additional lost revenue for the Highway Trust Fund, and as a result, less money to fix the potholes on the

LIE. People are using our roads more, and paying less. Assuming average travel of 12,000 miles per year, the average driver in 1993 would have paid \$105.74 per year in fuel taxes (equal to \$199.51 today if adjusted for inflation), while today the average driver contributes only \$85.96 per year to the Highway Trust Fund.

Electric cars are the biggest inequity we currently have (no pun intended) with regard to paying for our road system. How much fuel taxes do electric car drivers pay into the Highway Trust Fund? Zero. These electric vehicles are literally getting a free ride. They use our roads, tunnels and bridges, but don't pay their fair share for maintenance and repair. As a result, our highway system continues to deteriorate because of more traffic, less revenue. Electric car drivers are using goods and services that the rest of us are financing. We must stop this e-car welfare! In order to create some equity, the e-car drivers should be required to pay at least \$200.00 per year in a Federal Use Tax paid directly into the Highway Trust Fund.

With the government and auto industry pushing the American public into electric cars, it won't be long before the Trust Fund dries up entirely and there are no roads and bridges to drive on. In the meanwhile, if you want to save our highways, ditch the Tesla and buy that gas guzzling ¾-ton pickup truck. It's the best way to honor the memory of Dwight D. and his interstate system.



# President's Message

## By Ed Stichweh

We had a great turnout at the August LICOA BBQ – about 125 people attended. There was ample room for the Corvettes and one Batmobile by the tent. Other than some issues with the coffee pots, the event was a success. This year, we were able to keep the cost within a reasonable budget. I thank Co-Chairs Rich Magalik, Dan and Chris Rodriguez, Kenny Schnabel, George Reich, Mariana Solis also John and Diana DiBlasi, and everybody that chipped in and helped with the setup and break down. We had a tragic loss this year at Corvettes of Carlisle, the passing of member Furman Tom Thomas. He will always be remembered for stepping up with his wife, Phyllis, as Chair for the Carlisle event and many others, always willing to help the club out in any capacity. He will truly be missed. The VA Show is canceled this year, we plan on doing our usual donation for the Veterans at the end of the year.

As you know your current Board of Directors must go at the end of the year. We have served you diligently, faithfully for the last few years but this is our last year on the Board. A new Board of Directors will replace us. Effective at the first Board meeting on January 19, 2022, your current 2019/2021 BOD will turn the reins over to the new 2022-2023 BOD. A digital nomination ballot will be sent to all active members in good standing. If you need to check on your status, please contact the Secretary, Gene Doyle. An active member may place in nomination the names of up to five active members. If you are not sure of the full name or eligibility of a person you'd like to nominate, or the election process, please contact me or any Board member for help. All nomination ballots must be returned before the November general meeting. The Secretary will notify all active members who have been nominated to run. At the November general meeting, the Secretary will announce the members who have accepted or declined their nomination. Election ballots will then be prepared and mailed out to all active members and must be returned before the December general meeting. While you prepare your nomination ballot, try to think of a member you have encountered at events, meetings, and read about that you think will be the best person to run LICOA. Think of the member who always seems to be involved in events, who always is stepping up to take an active role in helping to run LICOA events and affairs, who always has positive things to say about our club and his/her fellow members, and wants to see LICOA grow and shine in the Corvette community and beyond.

As you know the BOD decided to have one more meeting via Zoom in September. The plan is to have our first live meeting at the Bellmore library in October – sorry for the delay. The library requires us to wear a mask throughout the meeting. This seems to be the new normal in today's world, at least for indoor events, depending on the venue. If there are any changes, I will let you know.

### Upcoming events:

October 3, North Fork Cruise with Gregg Von Urff and Chuck LaSalla. North Fork Roadhouse in Mattituck for a buffet lunch and then on to Osprey's Dominion. \$45.00 PP, includes Salad, Ribs, Pulled Pork, Lemon Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, Garlic Steamed Broccoli, Cornbread, Soda, Coffee, Tea & Dash Plaque. A caravan is planned, please see the flyer in this Courier.

October 17, Fall Atlantic Judged Show. Jim Record will Chair this event. This will be an all-Corvette show. Please see the flyer within this Courier for registration information.



# Calendar of Events for 2021

All dates and events are subject to cancellation or change

<b>Date (R/D)</b>	<b>Show / Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chairs/Co-Chairs</b>
Jan 6	General Meeting	Zoom	
Feb 3	General Meeting	Zoom	
Mar 3	General Meeting	Zoom	
Apr 7	General Meeting	Zoom	
Apr 17	LICOA Judging Tech Session	Zoom	Erdody
May 5	General Meeting	Zoom	
May 16	Corvette Judged Show	Atlantic Chevrolet, Bay Shore	Magalik
May 31	Memorial Day Parade	Levittown	Rosen, Kalmus, Fazio
Jun 2	General Meeting	Zoom	
Jun 13	North Fork Picnic	Osprey's Dominion, Peconic	LaSalla, Von Urff
Jun 19	Hampton's Luncheon	Hampton Bays	Stichweh, Reich, Albanese
<b>Jun 27</b>	<b>Vanderbilt All-Car Show</b>	<b>cancelled</b>	<b>Donato, Rosen, DiBlasi, Rodriguez</b>
Jul 7	General Meeting	Zoom	
Jul 10	Vettes, Jets & Rockets	Cradle of Aviation Museum	Rosen, Spinicchia, Doyle
Aug 1	LICOA Annual Picnic	Syosset/Woodbury Park	DiBlasi
Aug 4	General Meeting	Zoom	
Aug 26-28	Corvettes at Carlisle	Carlisle Fairgrounds, PA	DiBlasi, Scaminaci, Thomas
Aug 29	Centurion Cruisers Car Show	St. Anthony's HS	Massa, Albanese, Schnabel
Sep 1	General Meeting	Zoom	
<b>Sep TBD</b>	<b>VA Car Show</b>	<b>Northport VA Hospital</b>	<b>Reich</b>
Oct 3	North Fork Caravan	Roadhouse, Osprey's Dominion	LaSalla, Von Urff
Oct 6	General Meeting	Bellmore Memorial Library	Nominations for Board of Directors
Oct 17	Corvette Judged Show	Atlantic Chevrolet, Bay Shore	Record, Rosen, Reich
Nov 3	General Meeting	Bellmore Memorial Library	Issuance of Ballots for Board of Directors Vote
Dec 2	General Meeting	Bellmore Memorial Library	Board of Directors Election Results
Dec 5	Awards Dinner	TBD	
TBD	Christmas at VA	Northport VA Hospital	Reich

Green Events - Completed

**CO-CHAIRS AND EVENT HELPERS NEEDED! CONTACT ANY BOARD MEMBER TO VOLUNTEER**

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# North Fork Cruise



*Sunday October 3rd 2021*

**\$45.00 per person**

Join us for the Annual North Fork Cruise. This year the first stop will be at the North Fork Roadhouse for a buffet lunch and after lunch we will continue to the Osprey Dominion. We may also stop at LIV Vodka on the way home.

**Includes: Salad, Ribs, Pulled Pork, Lemon Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, Garlic Steamed Broccoli, Cornbread, Soda, Coffee, Tea & Dash Plaque.**

Attendees asked to bring their own chairs for the Osprey Dominion  
This cruise is limited to 35 cars and 70 people. RSVP before 9/27/21

## **If You Would Like To Join A Caravan**

### **Westerners:**

Meet Greg at Gold & Meyers Bagels, 255 Airport Plaza, Farmingdale. Meet at 10:00 AM on the road  
10:15 AM, Buffet starts at 11:30 AM

### **Easterners:**

Meet at Police headquarters 30 Yaphank Ave. LIE to exit 67, (Yaphank Ave) Left at light, 1/2 mile on  
Left Meet 10:30 AM on the road 10:45 AM

### **Not Caravaning:**

Meet by 11:30 AM North Fork Roadhouse, 9095 Sound Ave. Mattituck

Also confirm your caravan attendance or call with any questions.  
Gregg Von Urff 631-332-6895 or Chuck LaSalla 631-745-7372

Mail to: North Fork Cruise LICOA PO Box 191, East Meadow, NY 11554-0191

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_

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## Clif Notes

By Clif Nagel, Contributing Editor

So you've been washing and waxing and generally taking better care of your car than you do yourself, but you've noticed tiny swirls and scratches in your paint and can't figure out where they are coming from. An extensive investigation of this problem is coming up empty, but like anything else connected to the caring of the outside of the car, I'm here to tell you .....YOU DID IT .....YOU'RE THE ONE...CALL THE COPS .... YOU FOUND THE GUILTY PARTY.

Most paint and clear coat blemishes are caused by faulty washing and drying procedures, usually caused by dirty towels and sponges. The best way to avoid these problems is to touch the painted surface as little as possible.

So how do you wash and dry the car without touching it? This doesn't mean to have someone else do it so you can avoid personally responsible.

Let's start with the wash. How do you wash it without touching it? Good question. You can't, but you can minimize potential damage by reducing grit and abrasives during the wash process. Use the two bucket system - two separate buckets of water with a dirt screen on the bottom of each. One bucket with your soap solution and one with clear water to rinse your mitt or sponge. I use a microfiber brush attached to an extendable pole. The pole and brush saves a lot of bending. You wet down your car and soap it up, but rinse the device in the clear water before applying more soap. This washes anything off your device and it settles on the bottom of the bucket on the other side of the screen. This way any particle that threatens your car's surface is washed away from your car. I might also add that it is very important to change the rinse water very often. The more often, the better.

When drying the car, try forsaking your plush towels because they hide sand particles which leave scratches that will ruin your day when dragged across the surface.

Anyone who uses a squeegee across the paint should be waterboarded. A sure fire method to dry the car is to use any type of blower - a leaf blower, the other end of the vacuum, but my favorite is the MASTER BLASTER.

It looks like an old vacuum cleaner, but has two motors and will blow air 10 degrees above the ambient temperature and also a stream of air about 200 mph. This will blow all the water off the surface of the car and also get into any cracks or crevices, especially your mirrors. And best of all, it lets you dry your car without touching it.

Develop your own techniques. It's fun and therapeutic. Or it will send you over the edge and to a professional detailer.

Keep da rubber down and outta da weeds

Z06Clif

# Scenes from the LICOA Picnic - Aug. 1



# St. Anthony's Car Show

by Rich Massa, Chair

On Sunday, August 29, 2021 a benefit car show was held at St. Anthony's school in Huntington for slain police officer, Anastasios Tsakos. The show was organized by the Police Surgeons Benevolent and hosted by the Centurion Cruisers car club. The show had an enormous turnout with well over 400 cars since they ran out of dash plaques at 400. LICOA members came to support this show in excess of thirty. We set up our tent and we had our trailer there, and everyone enjoyed a nice day for a very good cause. We as a club signed up four new members and the club got lots of exposure. The club's Corvettes were a big attraction with lots of photos and questions about our cars.

I like to especially thank my co-chairs Gino Albanese and Ken and Bob Schnable, Rich Magalik and Tom Kuefner and Andy Heuser for all their help in the set up and break down after the show. I would also like to mention that LICOA member, Tom Kuefner, won the 50/50 to the tune of \$1,830.00. Tom opted to give back one thousand dollars to the officer's family. This is yet another example of how LICOA supports others in their time of need, and Tom displayed that sentiment. I would also like to thank the Centurion Cruisers who did a fantastic job and were out in force running this very large event.



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All reasonable offers considered! Ed Bradley, EMRA Rep., 516-710-3601 (10/21).



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Lloyd,

Just read the current newsletter (Aug. 2021) and really enjoyed this one!! Your monthly column hit home this time and rang so true to me. I remember taking my 'Vette out at the very beginning of this crazy time in our lives, and seeing very few cars on Ocean Parkway, but the ones that were out were mostly collector cars, old and new 'Vettes, and a few Muscle Cars!!! As I turned around to head back east on the parkway, a '70 Chevelle big-block coupe in black, with paint and chrome gleaming, was being driven along with the windows down (as I was) despite the cold, and the guy and I put our arms out our windows - fists in the air as if to say we're gonna fight this thing, and nobody can take away the pleasure of cruising our cars, no matter the circumstances!!!

Also, we don't thank you enough for publishing and editing the Courier each month. It's always entertaining and informative and brings a smile as well. Thank you Lloyd!!!  
Barry Weill – Life Member

# Corvettes at Carlisle - 2021

By John DiBlasi, Chair

Corvettes at Carlisle seemed to be back at full strength this year. To see the size of the crowds and their smiling faces, you'd hardly know COVID was a concern. Any time you put 5,000 Corvettes in one spot, it is an awesome sight to behold.

The event ran from 8/26-8/29. My wife and I arrived at Carlisle on the 25th along with my co-chairs, Tony and Fran Scaminaci and workers Tom and Phyllis Thomas, and Mike and Lynda Cohen. We spent the day ensuring the LICOA hospitality tent was set up and stocked with water, soft drinks, snacks and plenty of ice. The next day the party started.

The weather was extremely hot and humid but, that didn't deter the crowds of Corvette owners and enthusiasts. Our hospitality tent once again was worth its weight in gold, as it provided much needed shade and a place to enjoy a cool beverage for LICOA members as they made their way around the fairgrounds. I was impressed with the LICOA turnout as we logged in 43 members and signed up four new members!

Surveying the fairgrounds, one could see the continuing trend of fewer vendors and greater car club presence taking their places. Yet, I still maintain that, if you wanted, one could roam the grounds and buy enough parts to build a Corvette from scratch. From piles of used parts to beautiful Restomods, it was all there. Car clubs from as far west as Ohio and from all along the east coast were all there.

A major draw for this event is the camaraderie. While Carlisle is a small town, it doesn't lack for decent and plentiful restaurants and drinking establishments. Every night, after miles of walking the fairgrounds, groups of LICOA'ns would gather together and hit the town. This is a great way to foster new friendships and rekindle old ones. After all, that's what LICOA is all about.

On Friday night, after a wonderful dinner, my LICOA group retired to our hotel for a night cap. We reflected on the three days at Corvettes at Carlisle and looked forward to the parade down Main Street the next evening. Realizing that this year's event was coming to a close, someone asked Tom Thomas, how many days till Carlisle 2022? As was his habit, he knew the count....361 days. That was the last I heard him say. Tom suddenly and tragically passed away that evening.

Saturday raced by. At day's end, we buttoned up the tent and said a bittersweet goodbye to the fairgrounds. The parade that evening was a perfect end to Carlisle 2021 – 300 Vettes cruising down Main Street. It was Tom's favorite part of Carlisle. I'm sure he was there sitting at his favorite spot cheering them on.

Special thanks to Mannie Cappella and John Daglian for their Merchandise display and all-around help. Thanks to Co-Chairs Tony and Fran Scaminaci; workers Mike and Lynda Cohen, and Phyllis Thomas and to all that pitched in and helped.

Until next year . . . .

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- MY 2020 & 2021 combined total C8 production was 46,584 (69% CPE, 31% HTC)
- the MY 2023 C8 Z06 will be revealed on 10/26/21





## 2021 EMRA Event Schedule - Ed Bradley, Representative

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Sat, Apr 3 ☆ Lime Rock Park, Lakeville, CT

Sat, May 22 - Sun, May 23 ☆ Palmer Motorsports Park, Palmer, MA

Sat, Jul 10 - Sun, Jul 11 ☆ NJMP, Millville, NJ

Sat, Oct 16 ☆ Lime Rock Park, Lakeville, CT

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## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/16 - Bryan Smith	10/2 - Barry Ringelheim
9/16 - Tony Vitale	10/4 - Joanne Giardina
9/21 - Patrick Foley	10/5 - Bob Aucoin
9/21 - Bob Spinicchia	10/6 - Karen Benson
9/25 - Charles Ferrante	10/9 - Chris Biancaniello
9/29 - David Cohen	10/9 - Eugene Doyle
9/29 - Charles O'Boyle	10/11 - Richard Boccard
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# DRIVE FOR DANA Car Show

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# Governor's Report

## by George Reich

In the month of August, LICOA kicked off the month with a very successful barbecue picnic attended by approximately 125 members, FRIENDS AND FAMILY. Hopefully next year, we can look forward to increasing the turnout to 200 people or more.

On August 26 through 29, LICOA once again took part in the largest Corvette event on the East Coast at Carlisle Pennsylvania. As we do every year, we had a tent with refreshments, and John and Diane DiBlasi were there to greet our members. I also attended Carlisle, and I have to mention that this year was another spectacular event.

While at Carlisle, we had the unexpected passing of Furman Tom Thomas on Aug 28th. Tom and his wife Phyllis were not only long time LICOA members, but both assets to our club. Tom will be dearly missed, and please keep both of them in your thoughts and prayers.

On August 29, the Police Surgeons Benevolent Association's annual car show at St. Anthony's High School in Huntington was another major success, attended by over 500 cars, trucks and motorcycles with all proceeds donated to the family of NYPD Police Officer Anastasios Tsakos. Police Officer Tsakos was killed by a drunk driver, who struck him during an accident investigation on the Long Island Expressway. Even though this wasn't a LICOA event, we did have a large contingent of our membership attend as well as the presence of our LICOA trailer. We also signed up four new members to LICOA. This event was co-sponsored by the Centurion Cruisers which I and many other LICOA members belong to.

I also would like to personally salute LICOA member Hank Sarno who was the chairman of this event from the Centurions Cruisers for this phenomenal donation drive for the wife and two young children that PO Tsakos left behind, after this unfortunate tragedy. I would also like to mention fellow LICOA member Tom Kuefner, a very generous retired FDNY member who



won \$1,800 in the raffle drawing and then donated \$1000.00 right back to the family of Police Officer Tsakos. As a retired member of NYPD, I would like to personally thank all of our LICOA members who attended this event and made donations to the Tsakos family.

On Sunday, September 12, we have another yearly event which is not sponsored by LICOA but attended by LICOA members who, by the way, don't need a passport to come across the border into Malba Queens. It's called DISPLAY ON THE BAY, which is also attended by many LICOA Club members. LICOA member Billy Giaccio from Malba and fellow Club



member Mike Fazio will be leading a caravan to this event. We will be sending out another blast or two for anyone who would like to attend.

On Sept 23, there will be another event at the Lake Shore Assisted Living between 12:30-3:30 pm at 211 Lake Shore Rd., Lake Ronkonkoma New York.

On September 26 at Arthur Hendrickson Park, located at 123 W. Merrick Rd., Valley Stream, club member June Bartlett will be co-sponsoring this event with the Queens Classic Car Club from 11 AM to 4 PM, and there will be trophies, music and a 50-50 raffle. Then on October 9, a salute to our Veterans car show 11AM - 3 PM at Saint Mary's Church East Islip New York presented by the Knights of Columbus benefiting Long Island 911 Veterans.

The following weekly club meets are still going strong, beginning with

Sundays at Captree at 8 AM

Tuesday, Aubrey Av. Oyster Bay 4 pm \$5.00 Fee

Tuesday, Mt. Carmel Church, Exit 63 LIE N Ocean Av. Sunrise Hwy., Beginning at 5 PM.

Thursday, Milleridge Inn, exit 41 3-9 PM

Thursday, Oakdale on Montauk Hwy. Wendy's, beginning at 5

PM

Thursday, Kings Park, Indian Head Rd., beginning at 5 PM

Saturday, Airport Plaza, 8 AM, Rt. 110

Saturday, Smithtown Stop and Shop on Jericho Tpke. east of the Bull, 5 PM - 9 PM



## LICOA Membership Tidbits

### John DiBlasi, Membership Chair

As of this writing, Total Membership of LICOA stands at 352 members.

We have welcomed 50 New Members for 2021 to date.

C8's now number 23 in the club.

While the average age of the total club remains at 70 yrs, the average age of New Members is 60 yrs. We're moving in the right direction.

Congratulations to **Jim Record**, who has sponsored 11 New Members this year. The high so far.

Club Merchandise is always available.  
Sweats, Tees, Jackets and many other items.  
Contact any Board Member for more information.



# Fall *corvette* JUDGED SHOW

Food Vendors &  
Merchandise  
Available!



## Sunday October 17<sup>th</sup>

Rain Date October 24<sup>th</sup>

MUSIC • RAFFLES • 50/50 • FAMILY FUN FOR ALL • TROPHIES

### Atlantic Chevrolet

1350 Sunrise Hwy • Bayshore, NY 11706

Qualifications from 8 AM to 10 AM • Qualification Gates close at 10:30 AM  
Officials, Judges, and Show Workers on-site by 7:00 AM

#### Entry Fees: For Judged Corvettes

- \$25 Non-Members
- \$25 Members
- \$20 Member Workers / Judges
- \$10 For Display Corvettes



For more information Call:

Chair: Jim R. - (516) 384-3017  
 Co-Chair: Lloyd R. - lcresq@aol.com  
 Co-Chair: Kenny S. - (516) 680-5790  
 Co-Chair: Gregg U. - (631) 332-6895  
 Co-Chair: George R. - (516) 639-3666

Please send checks to LICOA, Inc., Atlantic Fall Show, P.O. Box 191, East Meadow, NY 11554



# SHOW ENTRY APPLICATION

**Long Island Corvette Owners Association Inc.**  
 PO Box 191, East Meadow, New York 11554-0191



DIV \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS \_\_\_\_\_ CAR# \_\_\_\_\_ Display Car \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a CURRENT LICOA MEMBER? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, are you working this show? \_\_\_\_\_

Being Judged? \_\_\_\_\_ Mail back judging sheet? YES / NO (if yes, add \$2.00 - handling and postage)

Total entry fee enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Car: \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Mileage: \_\_\_\_\_

Plate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cu In: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx HP: \_\_\_\_\_ Transmission \_\_\_\_\_

**Vehicle Modifications, Alterations or Restorations**

Body: \_\_\_\_\_

Interior: \_\_\_\_\_

Engine/Mechanical: \_\_\_\_\_

**Request Division (Circle only ONE of the numbers on the left)**

- 0 Street Driven: Car must present a reasonably stock appearance, must be registered, car must show substantial evidence of actual street use and must have a minimum of 20,000 miles.
- 1 Street Driven: Car must present stock appearance, must be registered, car must show some evidence of street use, car must have a minimum of 5,000 miles to a max of 20,000 miles.
- 2 Concourse Stock: Car must present pure stock appearance, need not be registered, must show evidence of restoration or have less than 5,000 miles on new stock vehicles.
- 3 Modified: Car must have some modification from stock, alterations must be essentially a "bolt-on" nature, car need not be registered and there is no mileage requirement
- 4 Custom: Car must have permanent alterations from stock. Changes may be mild or wild, car need not be registered and there is no mileage requirement.
- 5 Display Only: Entering a car for the purposes of displaying. This is a non-judged car and will be treated as an entry only.

**Note:** Your vehicle may or may not be placed in the requested division based on the examination and determination of the qualifying judge. Any objection to your classification must be placed with the senior judge prior to close of registration. No car will be entered or reclassified for judging after the close of registration. Engine compartments will be judged in all divisions. Entrants have the options to bump up one division only within their category

**DISCLAIMER**

- 1. I hereby release Long Island Corvette Owners Association and the Hosts/Sponsors, all officers and officials from any and all responsibility for my vehicle while at this show.
- 2. I understand I must have a valid drivers license and insurance card and abide by all Dept. of Motor Vehicles laws and state regulations in all states we traveling in. I will follow all local municipal laws set forth by the individual state. No pets or alcoholic beverages will be permitted.
- 3. I AGREE to assume risk of any and all damages or injury and to indemnify and hold harmless LICOA, its officers, directors, agents, members, sponsors, chapters and meet workers for any acts or omissions which may result in the theft, damage or destruction of my property or injury to me or others occurring during, or as a consequence of this event, wherever located and all others.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Applicant Signature (Required)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Guest Signature (Required)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

## NCM Offers Monthly Chance to Win a New Corvette

Each month, the National Corvette Museum holds raffles, where the prize is a new Corvette with Museum Delivery and a tour of the Bowling Green Assembly Plant. These raffles have proven very popular, and are a great way for the Museum to raise money. You must purchase the tickets by mail, or in person at the Museum. For more information about current raffles, and to download and print the mail order form, click the following link:

[raffle.corvettemuseum.org](https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org). You may also contact our own NCM Delegate (see page 2).

Because of LICOA's support of the NCM, each month, we will feature one of the upcoming Corvette raffles here in the Corvette Courier. Good luck to everyone who enters! Be sure to let us know if you or someone you know wins!

### 2022 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 2 pm CT

- 6.2 Liter V8 High-Output 495 Horsepower Engine
- 8-speed Dual Clutch Transmission includes Manual and Auto Modes
- Magnetic Selective Ride Control
- Performance Exhaust with Aggressive Exhaust Sound
- 5-Open Spoke Carbon Flash-Painted Aluminum Wheels with Machined Edge
- Black-Painted Calipers
- 2LT Equipment Group with Black Leather Interior including GT2 Bucket Seats, Bose Audio Performance Series Sound System, Performance Data and Video Recorder, and Universal Home Remote
- Low Rear Spoiler and Front Splitter
- Body-Color Removable Roof Panel
- Front Lift Adjustable Height with Memory
- Carbon Flash Exterior Side Vents and Front/Rear Accents
- Carbon Flash Exterior Badge Package
- Engine Appearance Package
- HD Front and Rear Vision Cameras
- Battery Protection Package
- Front License Plate Bracket
- Corvette Museum Delivery

Tickets are \$100 each and the raffle is limited to 2000 tickets.



**NEW**

**NCM has developed a raffle entry form that encrypts your credit card information, providing security and peace of mind! It's quick and easy to use.**



# MEETING MINUTES



Sept 1, 2021

## LICOA's Zoom General Meeting

**Board Members Attending:** Ed Stichweh, Dan Rodriguez, John DiBlasi, Gene Doyle, George Reich

**Members Attending:** G.Albanese, J.Albanese, R.Allen, J.Atchison, P.Atchison, Basile, J.Barone, R.Barone, J.Bartlett, J.Berruti, C.Biancaniello, P.Boystak, E.Bradley, A.Buonagura, J.Cafaro, V.Capasso, M.Cappello, M.Cohen, J.Daglian, J.DeCunzo, F.DeVenuto, D.DiBlasi, M.Drenckhahn, V.Ensalata, R.Erdody, M.Fazio, S.Ferretti, Z.Hanan, F.Hassett, E.Hollie, P.Kalmus, C.LaSalla, M.Lutz, R.Magalik, R.Marciano, R.Massa, J.McCormick, M.Medina, C.Nagel, A.Nastre, J.Nucaatola, C.Rodriquez, L.Rosen, H.Sarno, F.Scaminaci, T.Scaminaci, J.Scarry, K.Schnabel, G.Segal, M.Solis, S.Sloboda, R.Spinicchia, S.Srica, E.Stichweh, L.Szybkowski, D.Tons, M.Tulley, M.Vaccarelli, G.VonUrff, T.Walsh, B.Weill.

### Reports From the Board

**President:** Ed Stichweh – Atlantic Fall show is on 10/17/21 rain date 10/24/21. Meetings at the library may start in October as the board continues to monitor the latest Covid stream. The library is requiring masks. It is with a sad heart that I report the passing of Furman (TOM) Thomas who passed away suddenly at Carlisle. Please keep his wife, Phyllis in your prayers. Gene Doyle will be reviewing the nomination and voting procedures.

**Vice President:** Daniel Rodriguez – The date for the awards dinner is set for 12/06/21 at The Sterling, 345 Hicksville Road. Bethpage NY 11714, Cocktail hour starts at 6:30 PM followed by a full dinner and a Viennese table. The cost per person will be \$70.00 and we are asking for reservations and payment to be in by the end of October.

**Secretary:** Gene Doyle – next month October is nominations for the new Board of Directors. At the end of September I will be sending out an email to all active members with the instructions for nominating active members for the Board. Each active member may nominate up to 5 active members to run for election to the Board in November. The instructions will give you four different ways to make your nominations. If you have any questions you can call me 917-282-4208.

**Treasurer:** John DiBlasi – Report given.

**Governor:** George Reich – George reviewed all current area car shows as well as the Malba Car show September 12<sup>th</sup> on the bay in Malba.

**First Alternate:** Bob Spinicchia – was at Carlisle and spoke to the new owners of Kerbeck will now be known as Ciocca. They said it will be business as usual for Corvettes

**Second Alternate:** Joe McCormick – on target for Roadhouse Brunch with Chuck and Greg

### Reports of Appointed Positions

**Internet:** Ed Stichweh – Up and running still working on new web site Constant contact just updated

**Membership:** John DiBlasi – we now have 347 member

**Newsletter:** Lloyd Rosen – working on this month's Courier should be out by next Friday

**Senior Judge:** Rick Erdody and Gene Doyle – getting set for Atlantic Corvette show and will be introducing new method of checking cars in and qualifying that should eliminate the cars backing up on the Sunrise Hwy

**Qualifying Judges:** Harry H. – Absent

**Merchandise:** Mannie C., Art N. – Manny said they sold some hats and t-shirts at Carlisle and he has 66 masks left

**Good & Welfare:** Bob Spinicchia – it was sad to report the loss of Furman (TOM) Thomas and please remember in your prayers his wife Phyllis he will be missed. Tom will be waked on Friday and a funeral mass on Saturday at Mt. Carmel church. All the details will go out in a LOCOA E Blast.

**Equipment Manager Trailer:** Kenny Schnabel – the trailer is back at Huntington Toyota all picnic material is back in the storage locker. Trailer will be set to go to Atlantic show.

**Club Historian:** Bob Pandy – Absent

**Show Coordinators:** Richie Massa, Chuck La Salla – There will be a North Fork Village car show free on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Working on finalizing Roadside brunch on 10/03.21. Rich said there were 34 cars at St. Anthony's one of our members won \$1800 in the 50/50 and donated \$1,000 back to the fallen policeman's family. Motor car Classics may be opening but do not want a lot of people at one time.

**EMRA:** Ed Bradley – Nothing to report

**VA Liaison:** George Reich, Vinnie Capasso – Northport VA hospital will not be allowing a car show this year so LICOA will be accepting donations for the veterans at Christmas and Hanukkah time the same thing we did very successfully last year.

**NCM Delegates:** Jim Record-Absent

### Old Business

Carlisle – John DiBlasi said everything has far as the show went well the tragedy of losing Furman Thomas at the end

St. Anthony's – Rich said it was a big success over about 500 cars

### New Business

Winery Run-Chuck, Greg and Joe are working out the details for 10/03/21

Atlantic Fall Show-Jim Record is the chair and is assigning Co-Chairs

Awards Dinner-Christine Rodriguez is the chair see info under Vice President

### General Discussion

Vets and Jets-the museum has no room for a show.

Tobay Beach-10/03 Phil K said you need to sign up on your own and he organize a meeting place so cars can drive in together more details to follow or call Phil/  
Toys for Tots-Lloyd asked if the club will be supporting Toys for Tots this year and the board agreed that we will.

NCRS-Mark Tulley said the Fall meet will be on September 26 you can contact him for details.

### Special Caravan

We will be meeting at Mt. Carmel church on Saturday for the 9:30AM mass for Furman (TOM) Thomas you can contact John DiBlasi for more details and there will be an EBLAST

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30PM

Submitted By:

Gene Doyle

## *In Memorium*



Furman "Tommy" Thomas



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