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From the val Office



Hi Corvette Enthusiasts,

I would like to thank all the AACC club members who contributed to the success of Springfest this year, in spite of the less-than-perfect weather. This event's success is very important to AACC because it allows the club to be charitable to those organizations who help so many local people in need.

We start off June with our club trip to Myrtle Beach, SC for the "Corvettes at the Beach" Corvette Show hosted by the Myrtle Beach Corvette Club.

AACC will co-host a car show along with our sponsor, Faulkner Chevrolet, on June 25th at their dealership in Bethlehem. Details about many of our club-sponsored events are listed in this newsletter and can also be found on our website. Participation sign-up sheets are available at club meetings.

Please consider being a lead person for an event. It will make you more familiar with both our club and its members. We have almost 230 members and I would like to see more of our newer members take an active role in participating and leading an event.

Looking forward to a warm and sunny Corvette cruisin' summer.

Save the Wave!

Laura Hegyi

Laura Hegyi,
AACC President

AACC Meetings



The Allentown Area Corvette Club meets at 8:00 pm at the **Best Western Lehigh Valley Hotel & Conference Center**, 300 Gateway Drive Bethlehem, PA 18017. (Tel: 610-866-5800) Check the lobby monitor for our meeting room location.

Full menu and bar service is available prior to our meeting.

Upcoming Club Meetings:

Jun. 8 & 22 Jul. 13 & 27 Aug. 10 & 24

This Month

- 6/02-08—Trip to Myrtle Beach and Charleston, SC (p.5)
- 05—TCV Summer Bash Show
- 08—Club Meeting, Best Western LV, 8 pm (Bethlehem, PA) (p.1)
- 10—Chatterbox Cruise (p.5)
- 12—SBCC Vettes for Vets Show
- 12—Beach Bums Corvette Show
- 15—Putt U Night (p.5)
- 18—CCDV Cavalcade Show
- 20—Harley Plant Tour (p.5)
- 22—Club Meeting, Best Western LV, 8 pm (Bethlehem, PA) (p.1)
- 24—Corvettes & Coffee, Location TBD, 9 am (p.6)
- 25—Faulkner Show (p.6)
- 26—SDC Vettes Cruisin' for Pets

June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Upcoming

- 7/09—AACC Chicken Run (p.6)
- 7/16—SDC In-Vette-Tational Show
- 7/17—NOSC Family Day (p.7)
- 7/24—AACC Family Picnic (p.7)
- 8/07—Das Awkscht Fescht
- 8/14—EACC Vettes for Pets
- 8/18-21—Woodward Cruise (p.7)
- 8/21—Pocono Indy Race / Corvette Corral (p.7)
- 9/11—AACC Fiberglass & Steel All-Chevy Show (p.8)

Membership Corner

As of AACC's meeting on May 25th there were:

- **226** active members
- **6** potential member

The Board of Directors did not vote in any **New Active Members** during May.

Current **Potential Members** of AACC are:

Justin Hart *Emmaus, PA*..... '08 Z06 Cpe
Michael, Christine and
Eric Messer *Center Valley, PA* '15 Cpe
Jack & Kim Williams *Easton, PA*..... '07 Z06 Cpe



AACC is a busy club!

See our full activities listing at
www.AllentownCorvetteClub.org

We all look forward to seeing you at upcoming AACC meetings & events!

Thinking of You

Our sympathies go out to members **Jeff Gontarek** on the loss of his mother on May 11th and **Bonnie Serfass** on the loss of her brother on May 16th.

If anyone knows of a member who is hospitalized, had surgery, or lost a loved one, please notify VP Mike Cutro (Cutro@hotmail.com, 610-365-8659) or one of the other Board Members.



Cruise to the Gap *Len Feinberg ('15)*

Sun., May 15 | A beautiful day in the neighborhood it was not. About 16 Corvettes and their drivers from both Allentown's and Easton's clubs met at the Park & Ride to begin the trip up to the *Cruise to the Gap*, adding a few more cars along the way. As the now 20-some Corvettes were waiting in line to get into the show, their drivers experienced a strange weather phenomenon. The forecast from both *Accuweather* and *The Weather Channel* said ZERO percent chance of rain all morning; however, it started to rain (how odd). There was a good turnout of both cars and trucks for the show despite the clouds, wind, and rain at times. A wide variety of vendors showed up for the flea market and food vendors were quite busy. They handed out the traditional plaques with the diecast about an hour early because of the weather. A good time was had by all.



FOTZ

279 Photos by
Len Feinberg

Play Ball! Len Feinberg ('15)



Fri., May 27 | On Friday evening, 60-some Club members and friends headed over to Coca-Cola park for AACC's "Lets Go to The Ballpark" evening in the PenTeleData Party Porch. There was plenty of good food and drinks for everyone to enjoy. We had a better time than the Iron Pigs, as they lost the ballgame. Bill Frank threw out our group's first pitch and the Pigs could have probably used him. A good time was had by all and thanks to Laura for organizing the event!



Memorial Day Parade Mon., May 30 | The Bethlehem Memorial Day

Parade was cancelled due to weather. The ceremony was instead held inside Liberty High School. Thanks to everyone who was prepared to participate if the weather cooperated and thanks to LVMAC for inviting AACC to participate. Watch for more on this event next month...



2016 Adventure Trip *Chairs: Jeff Mohring ('04, '16) and Laura Hegyi ('09)*

Thu., Jun. 02 - Wed., Jun. 08 | As this newsletter edition goes to print, over 20 Corvettes and their passengers are preparing to head to South Carolina. Everyone should be on the road by Thursday, June 2nd, en route to Rocky Mount, NC and then on to Myrtle Beach Corvette Club's weekend event. Following the show, AACC will drive to Charleston, SC for a 2-night stay. The group turns for home on Tuesday, June 7th and will stop near Richmond, VA to break up the drive.

Best wishes to all participating for a safe and fun trip! Be sure to take lots of pictures to share when you return!

Chatterbox Cruise *Chairs: Mike Cutro ('14) & Bobby Riehl ('14)*

Fri., Jun. 10 | Mike Cutro will lead any interested Corvette to Augusta, NJ for the Friday Night Cruise at the Chatterbox. The group departs the Park & Ride (Rte. 33 / Wm. Penn) at 2:45pm. Remember to bring your chairs and 2-way radios (tuned to Ch. 5.5). EZ-Pass will be helpful for the express return trip. The group is departing early to better ensure the chance of parking together.

Putt U Goes "Meetless" *Chair: Gary George ('93, '10)*

Wed., Jun. 15 | After 15 years, the club get-together at Putt U (5200 Route 309 North, Center Valley, PA) will be "meetless" (not a meeting night). Come out and enjoy the fresh greens — new carpet was installed following the 2015 season. Our start time is 7:00 pm. Bring your 'Vettes so everyone driving along 309 can envy you. Proceed to the check-in window, tell them you're with AACC, sign the club attendance sheet, pick your foursome, and enjoy a challenging round of mini golf!

As always, there is no charge for club members. Each guest must pay a \$4.95 fee. Marty says, "The temperature will be 70 with a beautiful sunset." Laura says, "Wear your name tag or receive a one stroke penalty." Jim Fagan will be there to help out that night since I will be eating bacon on a stick at an Iron Pigs game.

Tour @ Harley-Davidson / York *Chairs: Bill Frank ('04), Carol Mickley ('16)*

Mon., Jun. 20 | We all love Corvettes, but many love their bikes, too! Bill Frank and Dennis Guth coordinated a plant tour of Harley-Davidson's York operations with a lunch to follow. The gang will meet at Cracker Barrel (Fogelsville, PA) at 7:15am. The tour at 10am is free. Lunch will follow the tour at a restaurant TBD. Listen for more info during club meetings and be sure to sign the interest sheet — only a few openings remain.



Antique Auto Picnic *Chair: Al Paul ('69, '06)*

Wed., Jun. 22 | Ted Maurer's Antique Auto Picnic is now joining with Cabin Fever Auctions for an event at Temple United Methodist Church (1390 Unionville Rd., Pottstown, PA). The event is open to cars, trucks, tractors and contraptions 1954 and before (or anything interesting). Vehicle registration is free, but bring \$5 for their famous ham sandwich lunch. Free coffee and donuts at 9am. Contact Al Paul for more information (acrtpaul@gmail.com, 610-764-1206).

Corvettes & Coffee *Chair: Jeff Mohring ('04)*

Fri., Jun. 24 | AACC members are invited to join Jeff Mohring for breakfast the last Friday of each month. The time is 9am but the location varies around the Lehigh Valley. Contact Jeff at 610-392-6898 or threejsjm@verizon.net.



Showing Off at Our Sponsor

Sat., Jun. 25 | AACC partners with Faulkner Chevy-Cadillac for their 5th Annual Car Show. The event will run from 9am-3pm, is open to ALL vehicles, and is free to attend! Faulkner will provide a DJ and trophies. Food is available for purchase. You can either sign up in person at the dealership or register online through the banner ad on Faulkner's website or go directly to the registration page at www.faulknermotors.com/autoshow.

To do our part, AACC is seeking volunteers to help with registration and parking. Be sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet at an upcoming club meeting.

Chicken (& Ice Cream) Run *Chair: Jeff Mohring ('04, '16)*

Sat., Jul. 09 | We will depart promptly @ 10:30 a.m. from the parking lot between Cracker Barrel and Steak 'n Shake (7720 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051), off Rte. 100N near I-78. Our first stop will be lunch at Kauffman's Bar-B-Que Restaurant (33 Gravel Pit Road, Bethel PA 19507; www.kauffmansbbqrestaurant.com). Their typical chicken platter is around \$10/person.



Those with a sweet tooth are then invited to follow along the scenic Old Route 22 to The Shoppes of Premise Maid (10860 Hamilton Blvd, Breinigsville, PA 18031; www.premisemaids.com). They have over 40 flavors of ice cream, a Chocolate Shoppe and a Bakery.

We will run rain or shine. Let's plan on the shine so we can get those Corvettes on the road. Hope to see you all there. Remember to bring your AACC name badges and 2-way radios (program to channel 5.5). Contact Jeff Mohring (610-392-6898) to sign-up. Pre-registration is key as we must provide a head count to our lunch destination.

Family Day Corvette Display *Chair: Marianne Mosher ('02)*

Sun., Jul. 17 | AACC is invited to present a Corvette display at the Navy Operational Support Center's Family Day (1400 Postal Road Allentown, PA 18109). Arrival & clean-up: 10:30-11:00 a.m. Two People's Choice Awards. No registration fee and complimentary lunch provided! Pre-registration is required and the deadline is July 10. The event is limited to AACC members and potential members only (due to space constraints). A sign-up sheet is available at club meetings.

AACC Family Picnic *Chairs: Jeff Mohring ('04, '16), Kevin Minnich ('00)*

Sun., Jul. 24 | Mark your calendars for AACC's annual summer picnic. The venue is again Bicentennial Park in East Allen Twp. and the menu will be very similar to last year. Members are requested to bring either an appetizer, salad or dessert. The event flyer is on pp. 11-12. Be sure to return the registration form with your payment to guarantee the club orders enough food and drinks for all who plan to attend.

Woodward, Here We Come! *Chair: Bobby Riehl ('14)*

Thu., Aug. 18 - Sun., Aug. 21 | The **Woodward Dream Cruise** is the largest one-day car event in the USA. Bobby Riehl will lead a group of interested club members for a (very) long weekend with visits to the Henry Ford Museum and GM Heritage Center. Additional information is coming as the date approaches. A dozen Corvettes plan to join this first-time trip.



Corvettes at Pocono Indy Race *Chairs: Marty & Laura Hegyi ('69, '07)*

Sun., Aug 21 | Come and join your fellow AACC members for a car show at the Pocono Raceway and then enjoy the ABC Supply 500 Verizon IndyCar Series Race for FREE! This new event features:

- no-charge admission for show vehicle, driver and one passenger
- 1 paddock pass for the show vehicle to park in the show area
- 2 grandstand tickets per show vehicle for participants to enjoy the IndyCar action from our grandstands



You must pre-register. Contact Laura for a registration form so your vehicle can enter the in-field car corral area.

Departure time and location are TBD. There are over 60 club members interested in participating so far!

Relax at Carlisle *Chairs: Marty & Laura Hegyi ('69, '07)*

Thu., Aug 25 - Sun., Aug. 28 | The board has approved the payment for AACC to have a 15' x 15' space in the Club Tent section at Corvettes at Carlisle this year.

Included is one (8') table and two chairs. Hegyis are contributing an additional ten

chairs. If we get 35 AACC cars to pre-register for Carlisle's show field, the tent space fee is refunded. Everyone is invited to pre-register, get out from under the hot sun, and take a rest with fellow club members.

Registration information is available at www.carlisleevents.com.



Fiberglass & Steel All-Chevy Show *Chair: Kevin Minnich ('00)*

Sun., Sep. 11 | Our Fall show is only a few months away and the tradition continues at the ArtsQuest complex in the shadow of the SteelStacks and open to all things Chevy! Since this year's event falls on 9/11, we are planning a themed event with recognition of those who protect our freedoms.

To repeat the success of last year's show, David Hornung will again coordinate our trophy sponsors. Sponsor forms will be available at club meetings or you can contact Dave directly (dhornungaia@enter.net, 610-366-0742). Your \$100 trophy sponsorship will purchase a series of three (3) trophies, recognition on event day displays and literature, plus admission of one (1) free vehicle registration.

Gary George will coordinate the popular Corvette Generations display cars. If you have a red, white, or blue Corvette and have a desire to participate, please contact Gary (gigeorge@ptd.net, 610-282-0129).

Michelle Minnich continues receiving registration forms from flyers distributed at shows. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available starting in June and we encourage all club members to chip in where possible — your help will truly make this event a success.

The event flyer appears on page 9-10 of this newsletter.



In addition to the articles featured in this publication, check out these events recently posted on *Fotki*:

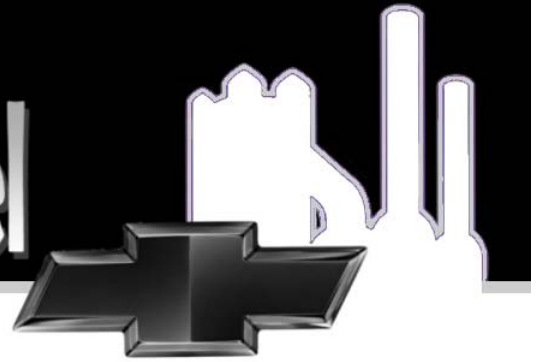
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- **Cruisin' the Trail** (05-07-2016)
100 images
- **LCTI Car Show** (05-21-2016)
137 images
- **Salvatore's Pizza Cruise** (05-28-2016)
87 images
- **M&M Memorial Motor Madness**
(05-29-2016) 187 images



Allentown Area Corvette Club

Fiberglass & Steel



CORVETTE & ALL CHEVY SHOW

Sunday, September 11, 2016

PNC Plaza • SteelStacks at ArtsQuest
(645 E. 1st St.) Bethlehem, PA

*** Rain or Shine ***

Registration: 9:30 – 11:30am

Show Time: 11:30am – 2:00pm

Awards Presentation: Approx. 3:00pm



All Chevrolet Vehicles Welcome!

Cars	Antiques
Trucks	Classics
Vans	Street Rods
SUVs	Hot Rods

Show Participants Limited to Chevrolet & Chevy-Powered Vehicles ONLY!

Goodie Bags • Door Prizes • Dash Plaques • DJ
Food & Drinks • 9/11 Remembrance • Cash Prize Drawing

Top 20 Chevy + Top 20 Corvette + Celebrity Choice Trophies

Limit 2 Trophies per Vehicle • AACC Corvettes are in separate class

Walking distance to the Sands Casino, outlet shopping and many restaurants
Proceeds benefit Lehigh Valley area charities

Info: Kevin Minnich @ 610-530-0923

PRE-REGISTRATION: \$15 by Sept. 04, 2016

\$20 from Sept. 05, 2016 through Day of Show

Goodie Bags & Dash Plaques are limited to the first 100 registered vehicles

Name _____
Please print clearly

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

eMail _____ Phone _____

Year _____ Model _____ Stock -or- Custom/Mod

Club Affiliation _____

Make checks payable to: "Allentown Area Corvette Club"

Mail to: Michelle Minnich

364 Natalie Drive • Allentown, PA 18104

Disclaimer: The Allentown Area Corvette Club, PNC Bank, and ArtsQuest are not responsible for loss or injury to person or property anytime during this event. Registrants must have valid auto insurance. Alcohol is strictly prohibited.

AACC reserves the right to change your judging class at registration.

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Join AACC to Recognize our Hometown Heroes



Special Programs to Celebrate our Military and First Responders



Displays by Local Charities and Service Organizations



www.AllentownCorvetteClub.org

GPS address:

645 E. 1st St., Bethlehem, PA 18015



Directions

From New Jersey, New York and points east:

- Take I-78 W. to Exit #67 (Hellertown/Bethlehem).
- Follow Rte. 412 NORTH
- Turn RIGHT onto Founders Way

From the Poconos and points north:

- Take Rte. 33 S. to Rte. 22 W.
- Take PA-378 S toward BETHLEHEM
- Turn LEFT onto W 3RD ST
- Turn LEFT onto Founders Way

From Philadelphia and points south:

- Take the Northeast Extension of the PA Turnpike to Exit #56 (Lehigh Valley) to Rte. 22 E.
- Take PA-378 S toward BETHLEHEM
- Turn LEFT onto W 3RD ST
- Turn LEFT onto Founders Way

From Harrisburg and points west:

- Take I-78 E. to Rte. 22 E.
- Take PA-378 S toward BETHLEHEM
- Turn LEFT onto W 3RD ST
- Turn LEFT onto Founders Way

★ ★ ★ ★ WE ARE COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR OUR TROOPS ★ ★ ★ ★

Do you want to do something to help our soldiers serving overseas? **Support the Troops, Inc.** sends packages to our troops on a regular basis, not just during the holidays. If possible items should be fragrance-free, no pork products, no perishables, glass or crushable items. Think of items useful and easily packable! Short list of suggested items that are often needed: Disposable cameras, snacks & candy (individually wrapped), drink mixes to be mixed in water, peanut butter & crackers, sunscreen, toiletries, razors, AA batteries, sanitizers & wipes, personal care items, and personal notes! Personal notes to our soldiers from adults or school children are always needed and really boost their morale, letting them know that the people back home support them! Please do not date them.

Monetary donations are gladly accepted if you wish to help defray the costs of shipping or to buy any other needed items. Each box send currently costs about \$16. Tax deductible receipts are available – we are a Charitable 501(c)(3). Checks can be made to

“Support the Troops Inc.” If you know of anyone currently serving overseas, especially from our local area, contact us with their full name and address and how long they will be serving at that address and, if possible, any other information. We will gladly add them to our list to send them a care package as well. Thank you! Blair & Valerie Ferguson. **Support the Troops Inc.**,

EIN # 26-2763914; 143 Pinehurst Lane, Easton, PA ,18042; 610-438-8885 sttroops@gmail.com



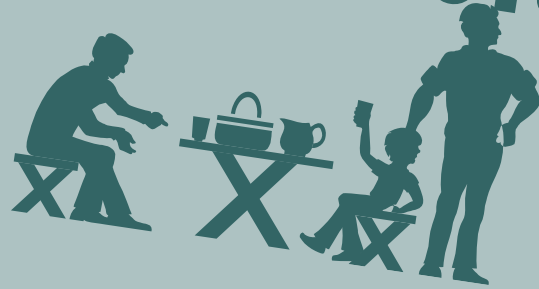
Proceeds from this event benefit
Lehigh Valley area charities



AACC Summer Picnic

@ East Allen Twsp.
Bicentennial Park
East Pavilion "C"

Sunday July 24, 2016



Event: Noon—Dusk

Food served at 1:00pm

- Bring chairs if you want to sit under the shade trees.
- Restrooms, ball field, tennis courts, and biking and exercise trails are adjacent to the pavilion.



BBQ cooked on-site

\$15 per member*

Pulled Pork BBQ
BBQ Chicken
Quarters
Baked Mac &
Cheese
Garden Salad

Water, Soda &
Beer are provided

Attendees shall
bring a favorite
appetizer or
dessert

*Adult Members: \$15
Non-Members: \$20
Kids age 5-11: \$5
(under 5 are FREE!)

Contact: Jeff Mohring (610-965-8593)

2016 AACC SUMMER BBQ RESPONSE FORM

Submit this form with your cash or check (payable to "AACC") to:

Jeffrey Mohring
1918 Wenner Street
Allentown, PA 18103

Registration due: Jul. 13, 2016

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Method of Payment:

Check, No. _____

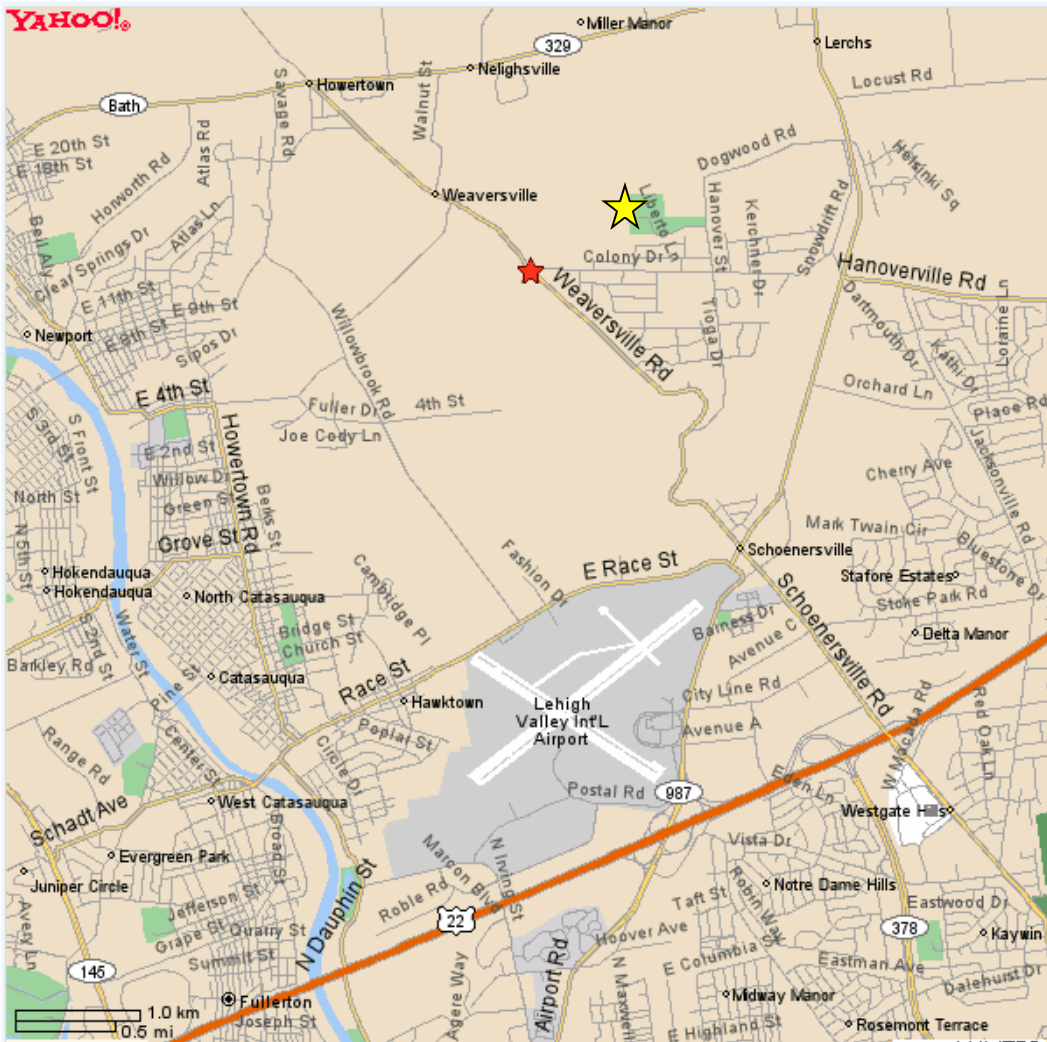
Cash (Please do not mail cash.
Pay during meetings only.)

Adult Members attending: _____ x \$15/pp

Non-Members attending: _____ x \$20/pp

Kids (5-11) attending: _____ x \$5/pp

Total Enclosed: _____



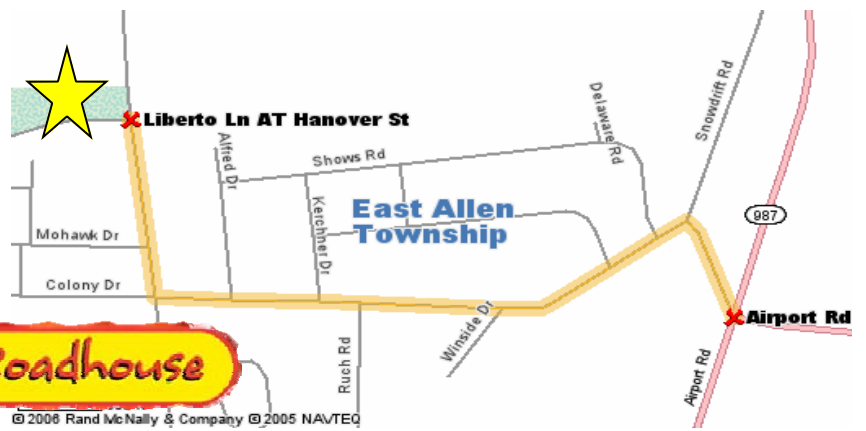
To East Allen Twsp. Bicentennial Park East Pavilion

- Follow Rte. 987/Airport Rd. North, approx. 2 miles past ABE Airport.
- Turn LEFT onto Snowdrift Road (at traffic light just past *L&T Enterprises Volkswagen* used car dealer).
- Bear LEFT at stop sign onto Colony Dr.
- Turn RIGHT at stop sign onto Hanover St.
- Turn LEFT at large sign for Bicentennial Park.
- The pavilion is atop the hill in the shade.
- You may drive up the hill to unload car or drop off passengers and then park your car in the parking lot.

Watch for AACC directional signs!

3000 Mauch Chunk Rd
Allentown, PA
 Tel: 610-769-4600

Grumpy's Bar-B-Que Roadhouse





Soft Sales Through April 2016

Dave Cruikshank, CorvetteOnline.com

Sun., May 08 | There's an old Japanese proverb that says, "The nail that sticks out shall be hammered down." Over the years, GM has certainly been the recipient of it's [sic] fair share of hammering, usually for it's [sic] missteps with nary a nod if they hit one out of the park. Here at CorvetteOnline, we're optimists and we'd like to acknowledge GM and Chevrolet for the outstanding work they've done in absolutely dominating the premium sports car market in the United States. Tadge Juechter and his crew have really earned their keep making Corvette the de facto sales leader in it's [sic] segment.

According to *GoodCarBadCar*, even though Corvette sales are down roughly 20% this year, it's still handily trouncing every other competitor by a wide margin. In fact, the Corvette came in 4th place on the "Sporty Car" sales chart only trailing Mustang, Camaro and Challenger in calendar year 2015

In their comparison, they lump pony cars and Subarus in as "sporty cars," but if you exclude the aforementioned, the 'Vette leaves the rest of the competition in the dust. It's [sic] closest competitors in segment were the Lexus RC, the Porsche 911 and the Porsche Boxster/Cayman. In fact Corvette outsold Porsche's entire lineup.

So what will the Bowtie boys do to keep the sales needle pegged?

Taking a page from the C6's product cycle, Chevrolet is staggering new models over the C7's model run, which believe it or not, is now in the middle of it's [sic] product cycle. It's amazing to think the C7 is in it's [sic] 4th model year and due for a replacement soon.

In the meantime, the release of the Grand Sport model will keep C7 buzz on the boil and on the front of landing pages all of [sic] the web. With it's [sic] Z06 bodywork and a naturally aspirated mill, it's the best of both worlds. When the GS was added to the C6 lineup back in the day, it wasted no time outselling standard issue 'Vettes.

So if the current 'Vette is in mid-life cycle mode, when should we see a C8?

The C5 was built from 1997-2004, and the C6 was produced from 2005-2013. Based on those timelines, we should see a new 'Vette by the end of the decade. Whether it will be mid-engined or not remains to be seen, but one thing is for sure, the sales success of the C7 'Vette is NOT a good case for a radical re-think of the plastic fantastic. We like the proportions of a V8, RWD car, but acknowledge that given the current C7's performance envelope, the only way to drastically improve on it, is to go mid-engined.

The best part of all this? It's a GREAT time to buy a new C7. The car was so friggin' hot when it was introduced, wait times were long and folks were paying MSRP (and more.) With ample inventories, now is better than ever to visit your local Corvette store.

Month	Chevrolet Corvette U.S. Sales 2015	Chevrolet Corvette U.S. Sales 2016
January	2127	1501
February	2605	2116
March	3785	2753
April	3469	3142
May	3514	
June	2807	
July	2794	
August	2725	
September	2572	
October	2526	
November	1952	
December	2453	

Corvette's New Proactive Alerts *Dave Cruikshank, CorvetteOnline.com*

Mon., May 09 | Remember the Tom Cruise movie "Minority Report?" The one where the cops could predict a crime before it happened? It might have been the inspiration for a new OnStar service from GM. Unlike the aforementioned Cruise action thriller, GM's new OnStar Proactive Alerts service won't show up at your house to arrest you, but it will aggregate data from your vehicle, troubleshoot problems and predict upcoming mechanical events before they arise.

According to GM [sic] "Chevrolet is introducing the industry's first predictive technology, enabling your vehicle to warn you about a potential maintenance need before it occurs. The technology is similar in concept to that on the Boeing 787, which can send in-flight messages to ground crews alerting them of parts needing inspection before the plane arrives.

"For Chevrolet drivers who opt-in to the service, OnStar Proactive Alerts continually monitors the health of the vehicle's starter motor, fuel pump and 12-volt battery. If anomalies are detected, OnStar will notify drivers to take their vehicle in for service, reducing unexpected repairs. The service, [sic] is available now for OnStar subscribers who own a 2016 Chevy Silverado, Tahoe, Suburban, Corvette and Equinox."

But wait there's more, GM says, "Proactive Alerts collects a small batch of data each time the vehicle is started, and monitors it on an ongoing basis. Then, sophisticated systems analyze and refine billions of pieces of data, accumulated across the fleet of vehicles. If the data indicates a particular vehicle's component is not performing as expected, the system will automatically send the driver a message through an in-vehicle notification, and either an email or text message based on customer preference.

"Accuracy is the key to our prediction algorithms. We will be able to inform dealer service departments so they can spend less time testing for a condition we have already diagnosed. They can replace the necessary part quicker and minimize the amount of time a customer's vehicle is at the dealership."

Tesla has gotten a big buzz with it's [sic] over the air updates, but GM says no one has launched a service with the scope of OnStar Proactive Alerts. "A few companies are doing limited in-vehicle diagnostics, but none have yet demonstrated the capability we offer," said Paul Krajewski, director of the Vehicle Systems Research Laboratory at General Motors. "As we keep expanding the parts of the vehicle we cover, we hope to continuously enhance our customers' experience, saving them time and money," according to GM.

We think this is a great service but could see how some folks might take this as a "Big Brother" type of intrusion. If you're worried about this kind of thing, the genie was let out of the bottle long ago, folks. Experian, Trans Union, Equifax have been gathering data on us for years, not to mention every key stroke and location pinpoint from your cell-phone is stored on your ISP's cloud somewhere. In the case of Proactive Alerts, we think it's pretty cool, especially the text/email notification of a possible mechanical kerfuffle. If it prevented one stranded night, we think it would be worth it.

The service is available now from OnStar on eligible vehicles.

Carbon Fiber Wheels Coming to GM *Chris Demorro, CorvetteOnline.com*

Thu., May 19 | Last year Ford made a big to-do out of the fact that the track-ready Shelby GT350R Mustang would be the first “mass production” vehicle to offer carbon fiber wheels. Unsurprisingly, the Ford GT is also getting carbon fiber wheels, leaving GM fans to wonder when they’ll be offered the (ridiculously expensive) option of lighter-yet-stronger wheels. Well, wonder no longer.

Autoblog spoke with GM’s William Rodgers, a light polymer systems technical fellow in research and development at the automaker, who says the company is looking to bring carbon fiber wheels to market. When, however, remains uncertain.

The obvious early candidates for carbon fiber wheels would be your Cadillac V-Series vehicles, which can easily absorb the high cost. Carbon Revolution, which builds the carbon fiber wheels for the Shelby GT350R and Ford GT, told us that they sell an aftermarket set that retails for \$15,000 per wheel. GM would likely turn to Carbon Revolution as a supplier for their own carbon fiber wheels, and would no doubt try to get a bulk order deal. Ford reportedly only pays about \$4,000 per wheel for the GT350R.

Besides Cadillac, GM could also easily debut carbon fiber wheels on the next special edition Corvette, or offer it as a new option on the highly touted Z06. Another alternative could be the new Camaro Z/28 that recently crashed during testing at the Nurburgring. This may make the most sense, as the Z/28 is being billed as a Shelby-beating track racer, and GM claims that carbon fiber wheels could shed as much as 35 pounds of rotating mass.

However, the automaker is still testing and evaluating carbon fiber wheels at the moment, and it could be a few more product cycles before GM is ready to offer them to the public. It may also be waiting on one of several technologies in development that aim to drastically reduce the cost of carbon fiber. Oak Ridge National Laboratory has just granted the first license to its exclusive carbon fiber manufacturing process that reduces both the time and energy costs that go into the material’s production.

That could help GM spread carbon fiber wheels beyond its performance lineup, increasing the fuel economy of its gas sippers and increasing the range of its electric vehicles. It’d be easy to slap some carbon fiber wheels onto high-end Corvettes and call it a day, but we suspect GM may be thinking much bigger than Ford when it comes to carbon fiber.





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Membership Has Its Perks

May 05 | Did you know that being a member of the National Corvette Museum is not only a tax deductible contribution, but also gets you tons of perks like a quarterly subscription to America's Sports Car Magazine, discount in the Corvette Store, discounted registration on Museum events, free admission to the Museum, plus discounts on things like bricks, build sheets, window stickers, Corvette Plant tours, NCM Insurance, hotels and car rentals! Not only that but your membership helps us continue to preserve the history of the iconic sports car.

Membership is only \$50 a year. Learn more and sign up online at <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/support/membership/>.

GM Plant Manager Kai Spande's Seminar



May 12 | General Motors Bowling Green Corvette Assembly Plant Manager Kai Spande led a seminar during the Michelin / NCM Bash, sharing with the group some fun information about himself, as well as what's going on at the Plant. If you missed it, no worries - we have it [available online here](#) for your viewing pleasure. We hope you enjoy it!

Anniversary and R8C Event Registration Open

May 12 | Event season at the Museum continues with our 22nd Anniversary Celebration September 1-3 (Labor Day Weekend). The highlight of the weekend is our Corvette Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and seminars. This year we induct Bob Bondurant, Ralph Kramer and the late Donna Mae Mims. Registration for the three day event is free for Lifetime Members, \$20 for Members and \$30 for Non-Members. Check out the full agenda [online here](#).

High Performance Driving School at VIR



May 12 | If you are new to running at a track, or relatively new - consider signing up for our High Performance Drivers' Education Event at Virginia International Raceway. Our HPDE, slated for June 27-28, still has a few spots available for novice and intermediate drivers. The two day event is \$485. Learn more and sign up [online here](#).

Using Your C7 Navigation

May 19 | Do you own a Seventh Generation Corvette but feel you could get so much more out of your nav? We are fortunate to have Paul Pearson join us at our events to conduct a seminar on using your system. Whether you've not had the chance to hear Paul, or you need a refresher, we've uploaded his seminar to our [YouTube channel here](#). We hope you enjoy this helpful tool, and thanks to Paul for donating his time and talents!

The Ultimate Corvette Documentation

May 19 | Car show season is in full swing! Your Corvette collection, especially if you are showing your car, just isn't complete without a copy of your build sheet and a reproduction window sticker! The Museum offers both for any

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Corvette assembled in Bowling Green since the GM Plant opened in 1981.

Build Sheet (paper) \$45 (\$10 member* discount). **Window Sticker/Build Sheet Combo** \$90 (\$15 member discount*)
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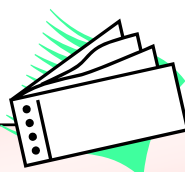
IndyCar Exhibit Opening Soon

May 26 | In celebration of the 100th running of the Indianapolis 500 the National Corvette Museum is hosting a special IndyCar Exhibit, presented by Intercity Lines, in the Museum's Exhibit Hall. The display will feature a number of Indy Cars through the years. We still have space for up to three more cars as well as related memorabilia. If you have a car or items to loan, or have contacts with items please contact Katie at 270-467-8846 or email katie@corvettemuseum.org.

Bloomington Gold Only a Month Away

May 26 | Bloomington Gold Corvettes is the longest running all Corvette event in the country and is attended by well over 30,000 people each year. Bloomington Gold is recognized world wide among car owners for its prestigious judging process of Corvettes and the authentication a Bloomington Gold Certification brings to a Corvette. The 2016 Event will run June 23-25 and will once again be held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Bloomington Gold Corvettes is open to the general public. Learn more and register online at www.BloomingtonGold.com.

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Current NCM Raffles (2016 models)

Laguna Blue Cnv | AT, 2LT, Mag Ride, R8C | 1000 Tix @ \$150..... 6/09
 Torch Red Cpe | AT, 2LT, Z51, Mag Ride, R8C | 1000 Tix @ \$200..... 6/23
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2016 Events

MiM LeMans TourJun. 11-21
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- 1976 Coupe** — White with black interior, 350 L82, Automatic, T Tops. Recent barn find. Car is complete but needs work including electrical and brakes and some general TLC. Located in Dumont, NJ. \$4,200. *(Matthew, 917-650-6288)*¹⁵¹²
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- New!! 1987 Coupe** — Silver, removable top, AT, 42,000 miles. Garage kept. \$10,500 (Jeanne, 610-797-7340)¹⁶⁰⁵
- AACC Car!! 1993 Coupe** — 40th Anniversary Edition, AT, all original and working with only 17,000 miles! Ruby Red exterior and interior, dual roofs, Z07 performance pkg. w/ FX3 suspension, original window sticker and other items. Asking \$18,900. *(Gary, 610-282-0129)*¹⁵⁰⁴
- 1993 Convertible** — 40th Anniversary Edition, 6-spd Manual, LT1 (300HP), Ruby Red exterior, interior and fabric top. Garage kept with owner's manual, '93 service manuals, sales book, factory build sheet, window sticker, maintenance records, car cover. 58,000 miles. Asking \$21,000. *(Kristen, 610-427-1635, kdeck13@comcast.net)*¹⁶⁰⁵
- 1993 Coupe** — Hunter Green, base model, Tan leather, 6-speed Manual, Glass removable roof panel, good condition, 2nd owner. 34,500 miles. Asking \$16,000. *(Pete, 484-577-5186)*¹⁶⁰⁴
- 1996 Collector's Edition Convertible** — Sebring Silver with Light Gray perforated sport leather seats, Black cloth top, AT, 5.7L, factory hardtop, 17" painted Silver wheels, new tires, electronic A/C, Delco/Bose CD + Cassette., power driver seat, Low Tire Pressure Warning, performance axle ratio, always garaged, 35k mi., incredible shape. Asking \$15,000. *(Sylvia, 717-258-6802)*¹⁵¹¹
- AACC Car!! 1999 Convertible** — White / black top / black int., AT, performance axle Ratio, body side moldings, fog lamps, very well maintained - very good condition! 60,800 mi. Asking \$16,000. *(Pete, 484-560-2190)*¹⁶⁰⁴
- New!! 1999 Convertible** — Quicksilver Metallic, Black interior and top, Auto., premium chrome wheels, light window tint. 48,000 miles. Located in Bethlehem, PA. \$17,000 OBO. *(Fabian, 610-570-6121)*¹⁶⁰⁶
- New!! 2001 Coupe** — Torch Red, Light Oak int., 6-spd. Manual, 1-owner / only driver, Removable glass top with light scratching, otherwise car is in great shape. Garaged and covered with 57,000 miles. Morris Plains, NJ. Asking \$16,900 OBO. *(Anthony, 973-879-6728)*¹⁶⁰⁶
- New!! 2006 Z06 Coupe** — Documented 1 owner car with just 337 miles! Absolutely exquisite and virtually brand new. All books and documentation included. Never hit, scratched, modified or raced. Velocity Yellow, Ebony leather, polished alloy wheels, Premium equipment group with Bose Audio and Navigation. A collector quality example. \$48,500. *(Alex or Geoffrey at RB Collection, 610-398-9700)*¹⁶⁰⁶
- 2012 Coupe** — Cyber Grey, Grey int., 6-spd. Manual, Chrome wheels, custom exhaust, custom taillight covers. Always garaged, covered and kept in show condition. Just over 5,000 miles. BEAUTIFUL CAR! Must sell due to health issues. \$36,000. *(Tom, tek1@pct.edu)*¹⁶⁰⁵
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