



LIV Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2022

The meeting opened at 7:45 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Twenty-seven members were present (including officers).

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President - Tony Sorrentino

The LIV “After the Holidays Party” is rescheduled for Saturday, January 7, 2023. It will be held from 7:00 PM -11:00 PM at **La Piazza**, 2191 Merrick Road, Merrick. The restaurant owner has graciously agreed to hold our \$500.00 deposit from last year and has not increased his pricing. We are being charged \$65.00 per person. The club will subsidize \$20.00 per person for a member and one guest. A solo member will pay \$45.00, and a couple will pay \$90.00. A multi-prize raffle and a 50/50 are planned. **Phil Pernice** and **Deborah Cook** have offered to chair this event. Registration forms were available at the meeting and are also downloadable on our website. Prior to the meeting the party was in jeopardy as we only had about half of the required 50 registrants. A late influx of registrants at the meeting brought the total up to 41. Although this does not meet the restaurant’s required minimum of 50, the board voted to fund the balance to hold the party. The registration deadline is extended to January 1, 2023, for any members, member’s family members or member’s friends wishing to attend.

Vice President - Tom Toner

Kellenberg Memorial High School in Uniondale is being explored as a possible venue for a spring car show. More details to follow as talks progress.

Update: Kellenberg has been contacted after the meeting date and is interested in hosting a LIV car show. Talks will progress once a show date is decided on.

General Secretary - John Albora

We supported the John Theissen Children’s Foundation (JTCF) 31st Annual Holiday Toy Drive in Wantagh again this year. Sixteen members attended on Saturday, November 26, 2022. We met at the foundation parking lot at the back of the strip mall at 11:00 AM. John T. was very appreciative of the club’s attendance and donations. He included the club in a short video which he posted on Facebook. John T. also came out to the parking lot to check out our cars.

If any members have any ideas for Club Events or Tech Sessions they would like to chair, please contact a board member.

If any members have any connections for a car show venue for next year, please contact a board member. As of this date we have no confirmation from BFCU that we will be able to have a 2023 car show at their Bethpage location.

We are in the process of arranging a Tech Session at AutoMat in Hicksville in early 2023.

A flyer will be created and posted on our website as soon as a date is finalized.

Update: A date of February 4, 2023, was agreed upon after the meeting date. Please visit the LIV website for the tech session flyer at www.longislandvettes.org

Membership Secretary - Lou Trohatos

Membership is currently at 95.

New Members

Mary Sydor - 1979 C3

Eddie Gonzalez - 2004 C5

Mike and Teri Clow - 2010 C6 Z06, as well as three project cars (1964 C2 and (2) 1974 C3s)

December Member Birthdays:

Stacy Kostis: December 4

Lynda Cohen: December 6

Larry Efrom: December 8

Matthew Kochman: December 13

Gaspare Mistretta: December 15

Tom Toner: December 15

John LaFauci: December 25

Joseph Morabito: December 25

WhatsApp - Currently 27 members, contact **Lou T.** to join.

Best of Long Island Voting

LIV has been nominated for Best Collectable Car Club of Long Island for 2023.

Please vote for us daily through December 15th. (Previous wins: 2015, 2016, 2021, 2022; New York AutoFest won other years; voting began in 2012)

There is a direct link to vote on the club website homepage at www.longislandvettes.org

Treasurer - Rich Fingerhut

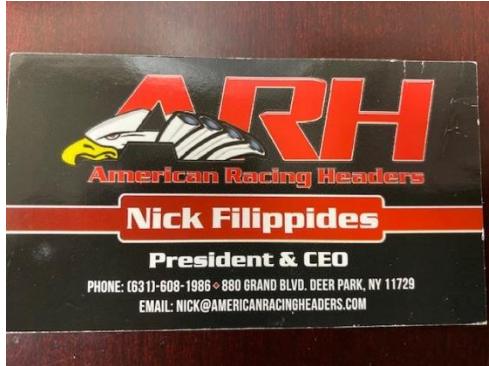
Opening Balance \$7,905.89

Closing Balance \$8,633.46

See "Statement of Financial Activity" below.

LIV caps are now available in the merchandise section of the LIV website. Did Tom Sugar order one yet?????

A Tech Session at American Racing Headers in Deer Park was held on Saturday November 19, 2022. This Tech Session was set up by **Mitch Kantor** and attended by approximately 17 LIV/NCRS members. Owner Nick Filippides conducted an extremely informative and interesting talk on the company's operations. ARH will be moving its operation to North /Carolina in 2023.



Long Islander and Corvette Magazine Technical and Motorsports Editor, Richard Prince, has come out with a new book to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Corvette. We are hoping to schedule an event, possibly with NCRS, to host Mr. Prince for a book signing/discussion.

OTHER ITEMS

Margaret Kochman's 42-year-old son passed away unexpectedly on November 22, 2022 (her other son passed away on January 30, 2022). Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. The club sent a fruit basket to the home.

Lyle Magaril's wife **Bonnie** was attacked by a dog (Akita) while protecting her dog (1 year old German Shepherd) at a dog park on August 12, 2022. Her wounds have finally closed, and she is now able to drive. She will however require physical therapy and possible future surgery.

Dr. Martha Baker-Fingerhut's had successful surgery on her left hand on November 17, 2022. Previously she had surgery on her right hand.

LIV will retain the same six vendor spaces for Corvettes at Carlisle 2023, which were and will be A55 - A60.

Dual LIV/NCRS Metro Long Island members **Lou Coccato** (Chapter President) and **Mark Tolley** (National Vice-President) discussed their November 6, 2022, Fall Winery Cruise. This was a charitable event to benefit the Long Island Veterans Home. Cars took a scenic route (developed by **Rich F.** and **Martha B-F**) to the vineyard. The cruise ended at Duck Walk Vineyards in Water Mill. Participants enjoyed a picnic lunch inside the tank room of the vineyard. The event was attended by several LIV members.

NCRS Metro Long Island is considering a NCRS/LIV Tech Session at Chris Tucci's Corvettes and Customs in Lindenhurst.

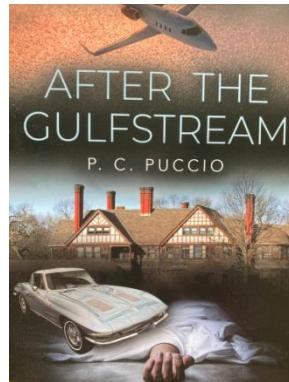
At the November meeting **Mike Comparetto** asked if the club will be having another road rally in 2023. **Rich** and **Martha Fingerhut** worked hard in planning, running (with **Lou T.**) and scoring the 2022 rally which was a big success. It would be nice if other members would step up and assume that role so that **Rich** and **Martha** could compete in the rally themselves.

Pete Puccio's new novel, his third, is available.

The book is titled “**AFTER THE GULFSTREAM**”. Long Island Vettes is mentioned in the narrative of the book, as the main character, a major crimes detective, joins the club in his search for a '63 Split Window. The '63 Corvette is part of a continuing theme and is an integral part of the book. Check out the book cover. **Pete** stated the book is a crime drama, where the detective assigned to the case discovers the murder victim owns a '63 Split Window.

Books can be purchased at **BookLocker.com**. Use the Promo Code **Save20** for a 20% discount. Also check out the 60 second trailer on YouTube, it's pretty cool.

https://youtu.be/q_lo1lFlxuc



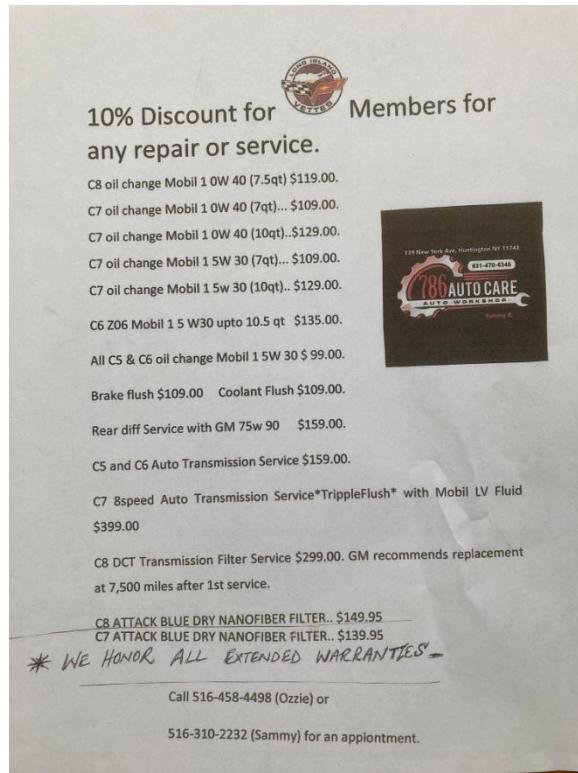
After waiting four months for a windshield for his C8, **Mike Marino** has finally had it replaced.

Once again, all is well in the Corvette world.



(That's not Mike in the driver's seat)

Ozzie Mirza, Shop Foreman, and Corvette Expert at Empire Chevrolet (formerly Robert Chevrolet in Hicksville) was a guest speaker at our meeting again. He is now servicing Corvettes at his shop: 786 AutoCare at 139 New York Avenue in Huntington. He will work weekdays at Empire Chevrolet and evenings and Saturdays at 786 AutoCare. His partner at 786 AutoCare is Sammy R. The shop number at 786 AutoCare is 631-470-6346. Ozzie's cell phone number is 516-458-4498. Ozzie left flyers which offer discounts to LIV members.



Upcoming Car Shows/Cruises/Toy Drives:

December 3rd - TOBAY/USMC Cruise-Thru Holiday Toy Drive, John Burns Park, Massapequa

Lou Trohatos represented LIV at the Plycar Cars and Coffee event, which was held on Sunday, November 6, 2022.

Dr. Martha Baker-Fingerhut sold tickets for the **50/50 Raffle**. \$130 was collected. New member **Mary Sydor** drew the winning ticket.

Mitch Kantor won the \$65.00 prize (and \$65.00 went to the Treasury)

Cheryl Trohatos won the Corvette Museum 70th Anniversary Christmas ornament donated by **Phil Pernice**. Thank you to last month's winner **Mark Tulley** for bringing the coffee and donuts.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on January 5, 2023, at the Bethpage Public Library auditorium. Refreshments will be served in the lobby before the meeting.

Long Island Vettes, Ltd.
Statement of Financial Activity
October 2022

	No item	TOTAL
Income		
50/50	85.00	85.00
Dues renewal	80.00	80.00
HOLIDAY_DINNER_01.2023_INCOME		
registration_dinner_Jan_2023	630.00	630.00
Total HOLIDAY_DINNER_01.2023_INCOME	630.00	630.00
merchandise sold	96.00	96.00
Total Income	891.00	891.00
Expense		
HOLIDAY_DINNER_01.2023_EXPENSE		
Chinese_Auction_Gift_01.2023	65.13	65.13
Total HOLIDAY_DINNER_01.2023_EXPENSE	65.13	65.13
Merchandise Purchased	487.76	487.76
reimbursement	76.69	76.69
safeguard_self_storage	116.00	116.00
Zoom monthly payment	14.99	14.99
Total Expense	760.57	760.57
Net Income	<u>130.43</u>	<u>130.43</u>