



LIV Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2024

President John Albora called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sign-in sheets are on the table so please don't forget to sign in. We will be awarding points to each activity and will award prizes to top point earners at the end of the year.

Thanks to Phil P. for bringing Coffee and donuts.

Thanks also to Deb and Joe Cook for remembering to bring the left-over candy from the Holiday Party.

John A. asked that if anyone knows someone who could be a guest speaker for a short presentation to please let him know. It does not have to be about cars or Corvettes.

John A. also asked if anyone knew of a place where we could hold a weekly cruise night to there and have some quick food – burgers, pizza, etc. – without having to have reservations. Discussion followed, but many of the places from the past have closed or changed owners. People will look around.

Past Events

After the Holiday Party

Marty B-F reported on the Holiday Party, which is traditionally held the first Saturday after New Year's Eve to avoid the Pre-Holiday rush. The party was held at Domenico's in Levittown and was a lot of fun. Doug and Randy Brooks negotiated a great price for the party, which was greatly appreciated. Phil Pernice and Deb Cook chaired the event and did shopping for the Chinese Auction and for each attendee. Many thanks to Deb Cook and Rose Flor for the fantastic job of wrapping all the gifts for the Chinese Auction. Thanks also to the members who donated gifts for the Auction – Lou and Jane Coccoaro, Deb and Joe Cook, Phil Kostis, and Marty and Rich Fingerhut. Thanks also to everyone who came to the party. Unfortunately, some of our members who were scheduled to attend the party were "under the weather" and unable to attend.

President's Report

Bethpage Federal Credit Union Car Show

John A. reported that BFCU has a conflict with us having a car show there on July 14, as they are having their Employee Appreciation dinner on the evening of the 13th, and they don't want to ask employees to come in on the 14th, so we will have to move the show to Sunday, July 21, with a rain date of Sunday, July 28. We will begin organizing efforts for the show soon.

Long Island Council of Car Clubs

John A. and Phil P. will be attending the meeting on Sunday, February 25th. The meeting tries to avoid conflicts in car show scheduling, so everyone has a chance for good attendance at their shows.

Vice-President's Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

Pete P. reported that the club will be maintaining our bank account with Bank of America and not moving to BFCU. Previous Board members were able to BOA with the new Board members to remove names and add the new Board member names.

As a result of the uncertainty about our banking location, refund checks to members who were unable to attend the Party have been delayed but should be going out very soon.

Pete P. reported: Opening Balance \$9,389.05

Income \$

Expenses \$

Closing Balance \$8,228.00

The club sustained a loss of \$1,160 for the month of January 2024. The major expense for the month was paying the restaurant for the After the Holiday Party, which the members had paid for in December 2023.

Membership Secretary

Brian L. announced the birthdays for the month of February.

He also reported that he is learning his way around the membership and will be sending out renewal notices soon. This is going to be done via E-mail as much as possible to save the cost of using USPS mail service, so pay attention to E-mails from the club.

General Secretary

Marty B-F reported that the library has scheduled us into the downstairs meeting room for March and April. I will be in touch with the library to schedule May and June. Please look at the Club Website (www.longislandvettes.org) and club E-mails for changes to meetings in the future.

Future Events

RPM Racing

John A. reported that we could do 2 races for \$73 per person with 8-10 people. He asked if people would be interested in doing this and many people raised their hands. It was decided that doing it on a Thursday night would work best as our meetings are held on Thursdays. A flyer will be sent to all the members with all the pertinent information. We will need to hear back quickly.

Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon

John A. has found that we could have lunch at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Hicksville as they have catering there with a fairly extensive menu. The cost would be about \$40.00 to \$45.00 per person, as a buffet with a cash bar. We could do this on March 23rd. Discussion followed, and it was decided to schedule the event. A flyer will be sent to each member and we will need to have members commit fairly quickly.

Road Rally

Pete P. is developing a plan for a Road Rally and has a tentative route in mind. He is planning for it to be on the North Shore in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, lasting about one-and-a-half hours. It would probably be in September. Phil P. agreed to help him with it. There was interest in doing it.

Bowling Party

Gary Mehr was not present. He has chaired the event in the past. Phil P. reported that there are Bowling Lanes near him. He estimates that bowling two games and shoe rental would run about \$25.00. Any food would run more. More information is needed.

Photo Shoot

Shawn has no news.

Tech Session with NCRS

Lou Coccaro reported that he and Mark Tulley are still talking with Chris Mazzilli regarding scheduling the event for both clubs.

Other Business

Best of Bethpage

Lou Coccaro congratulated the club for winning the designation as Best of Bethpage Classic Car Club. We have won this designation for several years now. Thanks to all who voted on the Best of Bethpage site.

NCRS Activities

Lou Coccaro reported that the NCRS Regional Meet in Florida was a very busy event. They had a visit to a fellow's collection of cars in Melbourne, Florida. He has a collection of 500 cars, with the largest collection of Ford GT's in the world. It was impressive!

Lou announced that NCRS will be holding its Annual Meeting at the Bethpage Library on Saturday, March 2 at noon. All members of NCRS are invited to attend.

Also, NCRS will hold its Spring Meet at JTM on Sunday May 19. The Meet will be one day with Judging School held first and then the judging of cars, followed by awards.

In addition, NCRS will hold its Annual Meet in Hampton Roads, Virginia on August 4 to August 8. The hotels are now open for reservations, and it is recommended to make reservations soon as spaces will fill quickly.

Summer activities will end the weekend before Labor Day with Corvettes at Carlisle. NCRS and LIV share a tent and space there, and it is a good time for all things Corvette.

Drive for Dana Fundraising Breakfast

Deb Cook announced that on Sunday, February 4th there will be a fundraising breakfast at Miller's Ale House in Lake Grove, across from Smithtown Mall, from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. The purpose is to raise money to help a child who survived a near-drowning event, and other similar children. Also, Richard Prince will be there to sign and sell his book about Corvettes.

Air Power Museum and Cradle of Aviation Museum

Bob Spinicchia reported that he volunteers at the museums and can arrange tours for members who desire to see the museums. They have really interesting collections of air transportation history.

50/50

The 50/50 was won by Bob Spinicchia.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha Baker-Fingerhut, General Secretary