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**GREETINGS FROM YOUR
ATLANTIC CARAVAN CO-CAPTAINS
John and Mary Nist**

We hope this newsletter finds everyone well. Our caravan journey is a month closer and we have some exciting news to share.

We would like to start with a big **THANK YOU** to our new caravan sponsors, **Kerbeck Corvette** and "**Wow**"-*That's It* detailing spray containing carnauba wax, essential oils and UV protection.

We would like to extend a big **WELCOME** and **THANK YOU** to Dave and Susan Bossart our local leaders for the Erie Pennsylvania area. Dave and Susan are members of the *Presque Isles Corvette Club*.

In April we visited the *Woodbridge Corvette Club* and the *Liberty Regional Corvette Club*. We would like to thank Bob Ross from the *Woodbridge Corvette Club* and Paul Fenn from the *Liberty Regional Corvette Club* for allowing us to visit. We would also like to thank both clubs for their time and warm reception. It was nice to explain to everyone what our plans are for the 2019 *Atlantic Corvette Caravan*. We attended the *National Corvette Museum's 2018 Bash* April 26 – 28 and retraced the route we will be taking to Bowling Green, Kentucky next year for the *25th Anniversary Celebration of the National Corvette Museum* as we cruised out there. Unfortunately, we ran out of time to visit Nashville, but hope to get there soon. We are still looking into setting something up at the *New Jersey Motorsports Park* in Millville, NJ.

UPDATES:

For the start of our 2019 *Atlantic Corvette Caravan* to the 25th *NCM Anniversary Celebration*...

Our first stay will be at the *Hampton Inn and Springhill Suites*, Harrisburg, PA beginning (Fri.) August 23, 2019. We confirmed our 1st get-together. We will have a Friday evening *Meet & Greet* Pizza Party from a great pizza shop. Hotel announcements and pricing for 2019 will be available to us later this year. Keep in mind *Corvettes at Carlisle* will be at the Fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA on the same weekend, which is basically next door to where we will be staying in Harrisburg.

We checked out some additional things to do in the area: *National Civil War Museum*, *Hollywood Casino*, and *Lake Tabias Wildlife Park*.

Our second stay will be at the *Stonewall Resort*, Roanoke, WV as we proceed to the 25th *NCM Anniversary/Caravan Celebration*. We will pass the hotel link along once it is available. We confirmed all rooms will be lake-front. The resort is offering a 10% discount on any spa service and golf outings. There will be complimentary car wash stations within the resort and special *Corvette* parking.

We checked out some additional things to do: *Appalachian Glass*, and *Mountaineers Museum*.

Our third stay will be at the *Embassy Suites*, Lexington, KY. Again, we will pass the hotel link along once it is available. We had dinner with some fine folks from the *Bluegrass Corvette Club* in Lexington, KY. They offered to set up a hospitality room in the *Embassy Suites* to welcome our caravan. We thanked them and graciously accepted their southern hospitality.

Our fourth stay will be in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Hotel room pricing for 2019 will be available to us later this year. Our Wednesday Barbecue will be held at *Beech Bend Park*, Bowling Green, KY. All of our *Corvettes* will be able to pull up to the picnic area. We have a great menu planned and look forward to some great food.

The *National Corvette Museum* will open up their Registration for the **NCM 25th Anniversary Celebration** in 2019 after the *Labor Day 2018 Celebration*. Pre-registration pricing for **NCM 25th NCM Anniversary Celebration 2019 is:**

Lifetime Member: \$25.00 per person

Museum Member: \$35.00 per person

Non-Member: \$45.00 per person

On site registration will be an additional \$5.00 per person

Note: There may be other optional charges.

Bowling Green, KY GM Corvette Assembly Plant Tours have not been announced yet. Keep in mind, there may be a charge for the tour and you may have to make reservations individually or as groups.

Our 1st Meet & Greet (to help us caravanners get acquainted prior to our Caravan in 2019) is scheduled for **Sat./Sun. November 03-04, 2018.**

Registration is now open. Some of you should have received this registration form recently via email. If not call John Nist at 609-752-9290 and request a registration form be emailed to you.

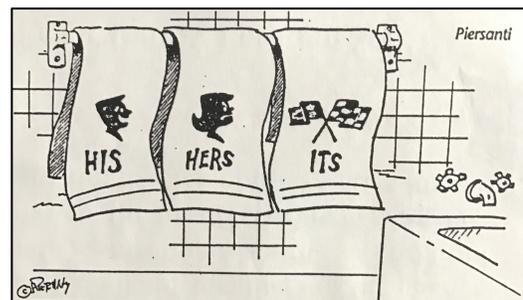
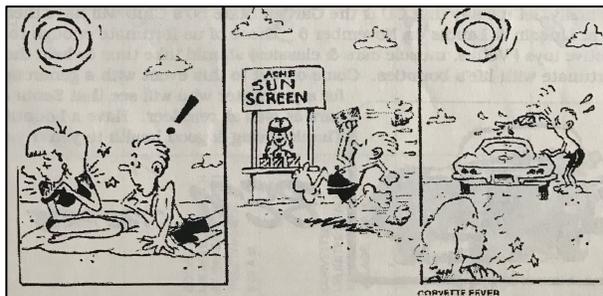
Registration: Couple \$180.00. Single \$110.00. The hotel stay is optional and is not included in registration.

Our event will start on Saturday afternoon and includes a personal guided tour of the *Miller Garage* by the one and only Lance Miller.

Saturday evening dinner at the *Harvest Seasonal Grill & Wine Bar*, 2625 Brindle Drive, Harrisburg, Pa. Then a short 1.6 mile drive back to our hotels.

Sunday morning we will caravan 35 minutes down to the “*Corvettes for Chip*” event located at the *Carlisle Expo Center* 100K Street Carlisle Pennsylvania. This promises to be a day of excitement and fun along with supporting a great cause, the *Chip Miller Amyloidosis Foundation*.

For your convenience we have blocked rooms at the *Springhill Suites* and *Hampton Inn*, 15 Capital Drive, Harrisburg, PA for Friday and Saturday night. Hotel rate is \$119.00 per night plus tax. The registration form will soon be available on our website at www.corvettecaravan.com/atlantic



NOW, for “Ask the Captain”

New

Question: Will there be a refrigerator in every hotel room that you book from Harrisburg, PA to Bowling Green, KY?

Answer: Yes. All hotel rooms will have a small refrigerator for your convenience.

New

Question: My car is a little older. Will there be any *Chevrolet* Dealers along the way that I can contact if needed?

Answer: Yes. We will provide a list of *Chevrolet* dealers who will be able to assist you throughout our journey.

Previous Questions

Question: I'm only interested in making sure I have a room in Bowling Green, KY. Can I just meet you in Bowling Green, KY and skip everything in between?

Answer: No. The contracts I've signed (and yet to sign) are very complicated and precise. At the *Stonewall Resort* in Roanoke and *Embassy Suites* in Lexington, I need to fill the rooms I signed for and meet minimum food requirements.

Question: I live in the Harrisburg, PA area and want to register for the caravan. Do I have to stay at the Harrisburg hotels in order to join the caravan?

Answer: No. Registrants will have one of three choices:

1 - Stay with us from the beginning in Harrisburg, PA on Friday and Saturday August 23-24, 2019 and throughout our journey over to Bowling Green, KY.

2 - Meet us in Harrisburg, PA on Sun., Aug. 25, 2019 when we start our caravan and stay with us throughout our journey over to Bowling Green.

3 - Meet & Stay with us at the *Stonewall Resort* in Roanoke WV on Sun. Aug. 25, 2019 and stay with us throughout our journey over to Bowling Green, KY.

Question: I will pay the registration fee but I cannot make the Pizza Party on Friday evening Aug. 24, 2019. Can I get some sort of reimbursement for that portion of your fee?

Answer: No. That part of your registration fee will go to a local charity. We will announce the local charity at the *Stonewall Resort* on Monday evening Aug. 26, 2019.

Question: Is my registration fee refundable?

Answer: For medical reasons, yes. If you or family member develops a medical issue, we will definitely give you a full refund. Mary and I feel that no one ever asks to be sick.

Question: What does it mean to be registered for the *2019 Atlantic Corvette Caravan*?

Answer: To be registered for the caravan, we need to receive your registration form waiver and payment **in order to participate with us for the caravan/journey from various states to the *National Corvette Museum 25th Anniversary Labor Day Celebration* in**

2019. There will be a separate registration form coming out in September 2018 from the NCM that you will have to fill out to participate in this part of the celebration.

Question: When can I start to call the hotels to reserve my room?

Answer: Our plan is to have our registered participants call each hotel using a special password or link to book their own rooms. We're looking to have this available for you by June, except for Bowling Green, KY.

Question: When will *The National Corvette Museum* open their registration for the 25th Anniversary Celebration?

Answer: The Museum plans to open their registration after the Labor Day 2018 Event.

4. Question: In your March newsletter you commented that you had to fill the rooms you signed for at the *Stonewall Resort* in Roanoke, West Virginia and at the *Embassy Suite* in Lexington, Kentucky. Does that mean you actually book them for us or do we have to book them ourselves?

Answer: Our plan is to have our registered participants call each hotel using a special password or link to book their own room. This information will be passed along in June.

Please keep sending in your questions or even give me a call. 1-609-752-9290.

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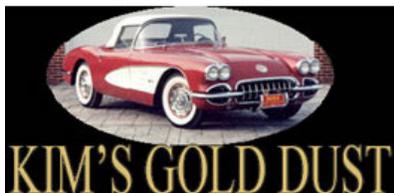
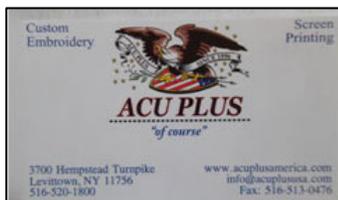
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Please remember to register with the *National Corvette Museum's 25th Anniversary Celebration/Corvette Caravan* in order to participate in their museum activities. It will be open sometime during the month of Sept. 2018. In the meantime, if you haven't done so, register for the *Atlantic Corvette Caravan* portion of this celebration.

Be well everyone and look for our June Newsletter - John & Mary









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