



2019 National Corvette Museum 25th Anniversary Celebration

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

We hope this newsletter finds everyone well.

We attended three club meetings in June that was very exciting.

On June 5th, we attended the *Original Garden State Corvette Club*. We would like to thank Don McKay, Jeff Duda, and everyone else for their hospitality.

On June 6th, we attended the *Corvette Express Club*. Thanks to Frank Jones and everyone at *Corvette Express* for allowing us to meet with them.

On June 27th, we attended the *Natural Glass Corvette Association*. Thanks to Rich Caruso, Peter Spielman, and everyone else for welcoming us to their meeting. It was a lot of fun talking with each club about our plans for the upcoming *2019 Atlantic Corvette Caravan*.

On June 30th we attended the *American Collectors Insurance's 9th Annual Car Show* in Cherry Hill, New Jersey along with Jeff Duda our *National Caravan Chairperson*. Seeing so many vintage cars brought back many teenage memories for us. Thank you Regina Buckley. We had a great time enjoying the music, food, cars, and people.

At this time we would like to thank our newest *Vanity License Plate Sponsors*, Paul Wenger and John & Mary Nist. You can see their *Vanity Plates* along with others on page 6.

We would also like to thank *The Lancaster County Corvette Club* for becoming a *Club Sponsor* for the *Atlantic Caravan*. If you would like to be part of this elite group, copy and paste the link on page 5 just below the *Club/Website Logo* pictures into the address bar and click "Return" or "Enter" to get the form.



REMINDERS...

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**.

Note: Inside parking spots for the *Meet & Greet* are going fast.

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. Singles \$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 and 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.

For the *Meet & Greet Registration* form, copy the link below and paste it into your address bar. Then click “return” or “enter”.

<http://www.corvettecaravan.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/MeetAndGreetNovember2018.pdf>

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



“Ask the Captain” We have more answers for you...

Question - I would like to register for the caravan but not sure of my plans for next year. How long can I wait before I have to register for the caravan?

Answer - The short answer is the sooner the better. After we fill our 125 room quota in Bowling Green we will not be able to guarantee anyone a room in Bowling Green for the event. As of this writing we have 34 rooms that are still available. After we reach our quota we will be offering a wait list.

Question - What activities will the Museum and General Motors have for me to do or see while in Bowling Green next August 2019?

Answer - The Museum is in the planning stage to celebrate the *25th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum*. As of this writing nothing has been announced from the Museum, General Motors and the Motorsports Park. We should know more when registration for the Museum opens up in September 2018.

Question - I have some diet restrictions. Do I let you know what they are?

Answer - Yes, diet restriction/preference will be one of the questions we ask when we send out our questionnaire to each person participating in the *2019 Atlantic Corvette Caravan*. We will do our very best and we know the hotels are aware of diet restrictions and will do their very best to accommodate your needs and concerns.

Question - After the festivities in Bowling Green, am I on my own getting home?

Answer – Yes. Embassy Suites Lexington, KY and Stonewall Resort Roanoke WV will be offering a discounted rate for those who would like to stop on their return journey back home. Pricing will be announced at a future date. Others may extend their vacation and continue to tour or visit relatives or longtime friends. Others may choose to ride home in small groups of two, three, or four or more *Corvettes*. This choice will be up to each individual. By that time, some may even have had enough of caravanning and want to be on their own going home. Whatever the case, we want you to feel comfortable cruising home. Make this your vacation and an experience you will not forget.

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Question - Do you have anything planned for the return trip after the Anniversary Celebration ends other than returning home the same route.

Answer - One of our fellow caravan participants would like to organize a trip after the *2019 NCM Anniversary Celebration*. More details to follow in our August newsletter.

Before we sign off for this month we just want everyone to know that we're on track and expecting everyone to have a great time next year when we have our caravan.

For those of you vacationing this month we wish you happy times and safe travels. If you have any questions or concerns please send us an email to AtlanticCaptains2019@gmail.com

Previous Questions

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.

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.

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.

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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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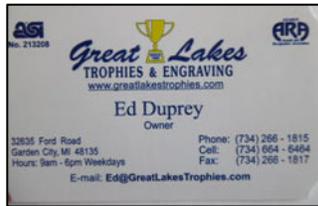
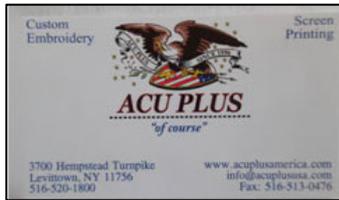


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Then, scroll to the next page and you will see the Order Form. Print it, fill it out, write out a check and mail it! That's it! All the information is there!

2019 Atlantic Caravan Order Form

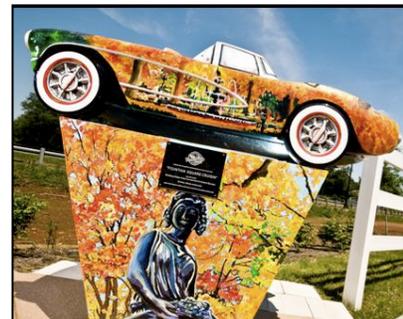
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<p>7</p>  <p>American Flag - \$10.00</p>	



TIDBIT...

VETTETASTIC HUNT – Did you know there are at least 7 *Mini-Corvette* sculptures on display throughout the town of Bowling Green? This was a public art project sponsored by the *Bowling Green American Red Cross*. These sculptures display the *Corvettes* in a *Vettetastic* way. Currently, there are seven 1957 *Vettetastic Corvettes* that can be found around town. To start you off, here are a few places where some are located: NCM, IGA Store (2560 Cemetery Rd & Mt.Victor Lane), *Bowling Green Visitor's Center* (3 Springs Rd.), Hotel & Convention Center, and *Drake's Creek Middle School*. (Take a picture of the ones you find and let us where you found them! Email the information to: AtlanticCaptains2019@gmail.com)



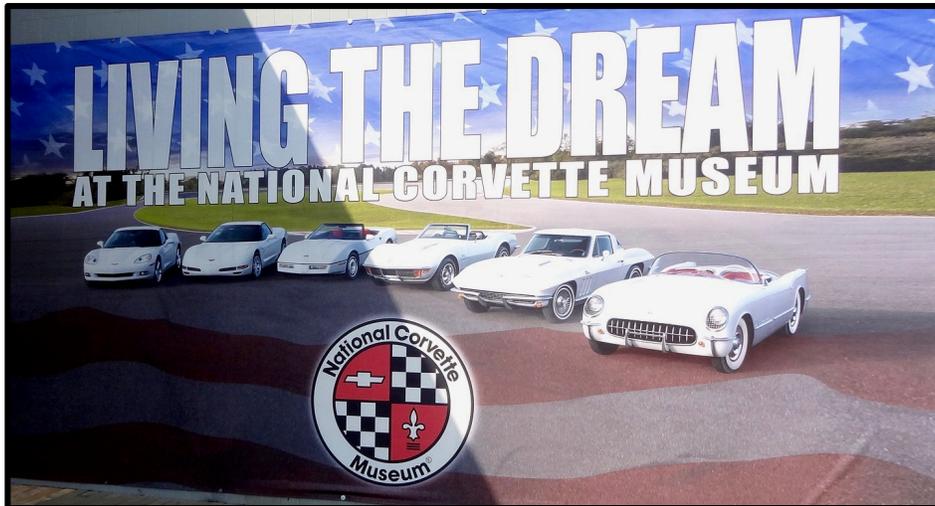
DID YOU KNOW?

Prior to the building of the NCM there was a *National Corvette Museum Annex* in the town of Bowling Green. This was a small store inside a mini-strip mall where one could purchase various souvenirs and articles dealing with the *Corvette*.



Visitors who stopped by the Annex would often get the chance to chat with Foundation representatives and Corvette Assembly plant volunteers. On this day, Paul Schnoes (second from left, followed by) Ray Battaglini and Dan Gale were on hand to answer questions.





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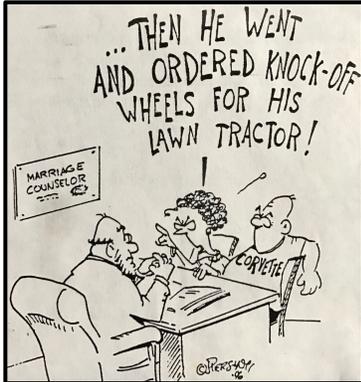
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Please remember to register with the *National Corvette Museum's 25th Anniversary Celebration/Corvette Caravan* in order to participate in their museum activities. It will be open sometime during the month of Sept. 2018. In the meantime, if you haven't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

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

