

President's Message October 2018

IT AIN'T OVER ... IT'S ONLY OCTOBER

Pumpkins, spooks, and goblins...we can't deny that fall is here. The temperatures are already dropping, soon the leaves will be changing colors, and the sun is going down earlier and earlier. We need to start wearing our EMCC sweatshirts and windbreakers.



Don't despair ... fall is a great time for cruising !!!

September has been a great month...a spectacular dinner cruise on back roads to member David Yee's McDonald's...thank you David, a fantastic cookout...thank you Frank, and coming up our cruise to "Vettes to Vets." Thanks to all who helped to make September a great month.

My team has October events setup for members to enjoy...please join us when you can.

Watch for E mails from club secretary Steve Sylvia to update you on October's events. For those who use Facebook we also post updates there.

Please drive safely and watch out for all the little spooks and goblins.

As always I am "good to go"

Steve Wilson, EMCC President





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SPENDING AWHILE IN CARLISLE

Story by Bruce Kolovson Photos by Andy Bleadon & Steve Sylvia



On Thursday, August 23, a group from EMCC drove to Carlisle,PA for the annual Corvettes at Carlisle car show. There were more than 5,000 cars in attendance and we spent 1 1/2 days perusing the cars and the grounds. On Saturday afternoon Jim Gable led us on a scenic drive to Gettysburg where we viewed the Eternal Light Peace Memorial located on the Gettysburg Battlefield. It was a spectacular site and we all enjoyed experienceing this bit of history. Enjoyed everyone's company. It was a great trip and ride.











HUH?





NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM



First Shadow Gray Corvette Delivered

On Wednesday, August 22 the National Corvette delivered their first Shadow Gray Corvette through the R8C Museum Delivery program. Taking home their new 2019 Z06 in the new paint shade were Jim and Judy Schubert of Stockton, IL. While the couple had originally hoped to order a Watkins Glen Gray Corvette, the new color has started to grow on them.

Want to see the color for yourself? GM will be bringing a Shadow Gray Corvette to the 24th Anniversary Celebration August 30 – September 1.

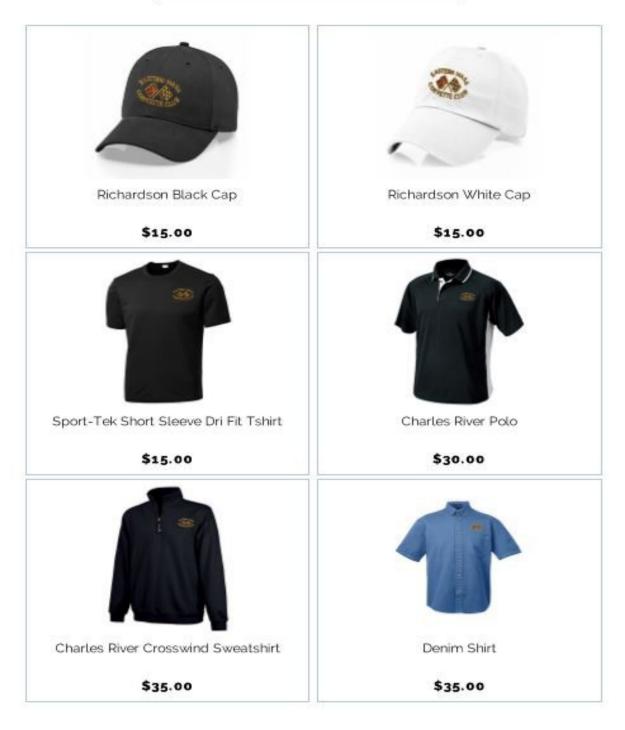


MEANWHILE AT CARLISLE



"I'd like my Corvette to sleep in my room. Do you have any extra large pillows?"

Eastern Mass Corvette Club



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A STROLL DOWN MEMORY LANE...WITH "SMOKEN" MAL

Story by Mal Smith

I just love to look through old pictures and smile at the memories that surface. I don't intend to bore you each month with memories, but for those newer members, they see EMCC as a Corvette Club of C7 slightly older people, I just want to bring out that we were all young once and some of us were young Corvette owners. The younger folks these days aren't able to own a his month's photos were taken at Lincoln, New Hampshire in the 1990's at an



event called Mountain Melee. EMCC always had a large group of members that attended this very popular event. Each year, there was a contest on Saturday night for the Club who had the best costume. Most of the time there was a theme and we planned our costume in advance. This particular year, we did not plan ahead and had to come up with a group



costume in a hurry. Well, a trip to the local store gave us this awesome idea. We used trash bags, wire netting and lots and lots of duct tape to create this fashion statement.

In case you were wondering, many of these folks still belong to EMCC. If you look closely, you will see, Judy and Bob Pitasi, Mal and Big Joe, Mike and Linda Keefe, Joe and Joan Jacobs, John and Sally Maccini, Dan and Kathie Sierpina, Bill and Carol Davis, and Steve and Kathie Sullivan. What a hoot! And..... yes, we did win the contest for the most unique outfits. We were winners of these contests for many years. Love the memories.



Some Saturday Evening

Story & Photos by Arne Johnson

Despite the many comments from those who can foresee the future and who have repeatedly foretasted the demise of the event, the Millis car gathering on Saturday evenings continues to almost magically appear without the prodding of offerings such as music, awards and 50/50 raffles.



The occasional EMCC member may wander in briefly and comment on the turnout or the lack thereof. That's perhaps one of the strangest features of this nonevent. If it's good weather and no other activity is happening, Millis may draw and exceptional crowd. This

was the case on at least two Saturdays in August that drew near full attendance for cars and crowds of family's, children and dogs. Sometimes one will see a car of no certain origin and only wild guesses may attempt to reach mutual agreement on what it might be or sometimes a surprise may occur when a very different, never seen before, vehicle drives in for display. That happened recently when Charlie Harris, of Elm Bank fame, arrived in a Chevrolet pickup with a bright silver paint job and obviously a significant investment in engine and body stance. It was one of this vehicle's first appearances on public display. Then again, Jim McMackin, has arrived with his Tesla and it has drawn attention from many of the old time gas engine mechanics who now suffer insecurity about their future.

On another occasion I had some difficulty eliminating a false display on my instrument panel. It seemed almost part of the Millis magic when Rocco drove in and while being distracted by many interested parties in his Corvette, he managed to use a new cellphone and app to eliminate the false display on my car. The false display has not returned in several weeks. Thanks again, Rocco.

Then there is the story of young Jeff who arrived in a red '73 Vette with 50k for mileage. He had recently received it from his grandparents who had it for years but decided it was time to pass it on. Jeff was hoping to find someone who could advise him regarding the mechanics of his new prize. He wasn't having much luck with the regulars. Shortly after his arrival, a black '68, highly modified, with a 383 engine and a 5 gear manual transmission, drove in for its first visit. Jeff was immediately interested in the new arrival and they soon exchanged information for a future meeting. In the meantime I was having a conversation

with a man who I found out is the former 1935 Chevy Coupe. He said with him that evening but maybe instances of Millis magic. As for come by unless you have nothing



current owner of Paul Worsley's he had wished he had brought it next Saturday would do. Just more Millis on a Saturday evening, don't else to do but if you do come by,

don't be surprised by the turnout. You can never tell what to expect.





WE DESERVED A BREAK TODAY and even if we didn't...we got one...

Story by Joe O'Connor Photos by Keith E. Jacobson & Gerry Criscenzo

What a great night for a top down cruise. Nine cars set out from the Lake Pearl parking lot to McDonald's in Natick,Ma. 17.4 miles of a late summer night cruise over country roads. Got to our destination safely and on time where were joined by Corvette number ten. Club member David Yee, owner/operator of the location, and his wife MariLyn, who cruised with us, were hosts of the event. Their well deserved pride in this location was evident as David spoke about the restaurant. We were introduced to



Nathalie and Beranice, members of the management team, and welcomed by all who worked at this location. The food was delicious and well presented. I was very impressed by the way David Yee treated his staff and the way the staff reacted to us. This is a well run store and it is just one more example of what makes America great. Thanks to all who showed up for this cruise and thanks again to our hosts... David and MariLyn Yee.



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Deadline for the gazette is one week before the board meeting...I will try to accommodate late submissions ... Thank you

EMCC Membership

As of September we have 81 paid members, 2 associate, and 3 honorary

<u>Next Board Meeting</u> Monday – October 29th at 5:30 PM at EMCC Club President Steve Wilson's house

<u>Next Business Meeting</u> Monday – October 1st at 7:00 PM at Conrad's, 905 Main Street, Walpole Come early at 6:00 to enjoy dinner & schmoozing

"WHERE YOU COME FOR THE CARS ... BUT STAY FOR THE PEOPLE"

Eastern Mass Corvette Club is a non-profit social club for Corvette owners

> We meet at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of every month at Conrad's - 905 Main Street, Walpole, MA

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HERE'S THE BEEF

Story by Keith E. Jacobson Photos by Keith E. Jacobson & Rosemary Fontana

EMCC wrapped up the cookout season on Saturday, September 15, at a



wonderful event hosted by Frank and Rosemary Fontana. There was a nice turnout on a beautiful sunny...not too hot day. A few members made a pit stop to say hi and everyone was impressed by the Fontana's all new patio/party area.



It was a nice afternoon with friends, good conversation, and delicious food...what more could you ask for? OK ... Corvettes ... they were parked out front.



Although daylight is growing noticeably shorter and the are slowly getting cooler there is still lots of time to attend events and enjoy your ride. So get out there and kick some butt !!!



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OCTOBER EVENTS 2018

10/1 Business membership meeting 7:00 Conrad's
10/4 Open Cruise
10/5 - 10/8 Columbus Day cruise to CT / NY Jim Gable lead
10/9 Static Tuesday PIZZA
10/11 Bass Pro
10/14 Fall Foliage Cruise led by Bruce leave 11:00 info to follow.
10/18 Open Cruise
10/25 Bass Pro
10/29 Board meeting 5:30 Prez Steve's house
Tuesday Static Cruise 4:00 – Dusk King Street Café, Franklin

SEE YOU ON THE ROAD

This months thanks go out to...in order of appearance:

Dennis Collins for providing a terrific photo from the last cookout to use for the banner.

President Steve Wilson for his words of wisdom.

Bruce, Andy, and Steve S. for providing a story and photos from their trip to Carlisle.

"SMOKEN" Mal our VP thanks for the memories.

Arne...I think for all of Arne's contributions we should start calling him Mr. Gazette. Each month I look forward to his contributions.

Joe O' for his story and leading the McDonald's cruise and I guess myself and our newest member, Gerry Criscenzo, for providing photos. Check out Gerry's selfie.

Rosemary Fontana for contributing cookout pictures.

Secretary Steve S. for a listing of October's events ... subject to revision.

And special thanks to David & MariLyn Yee and Frank & Rosemary Fontana for hosting great events this month.



And now a few random thoughts ...

It's getting darker earlier and today I turned on the heat for the first time this season...we all know what that means. Not just higher heating bills but the other H word ... hibernation is around the corner. However...don't despair just yet because we have some great events, this month, as you have seen. I hope many of you will attend one or more of the club's events before the cruising season wraps up for this year.

I have made an attempt to attend more different events this year, drawing inspiration from Arne who always seems to find some hidden gems. I am already thinking about next year and possibly attending the largest one day car show/cruise in the world...the Woodward Dream Cruise.

Every month the gazette is a clean slate and I wonder if we are going to have enough content to make an interesting issue and each month I am surprised as stories and photos trickle in. My personal thanks to all who are part of the gazette through their contributions.

See you on the road

"KAMERA" Keith Jacobson, Editor/Publisher

<u>LAST LAUGHS</u>

DON'T MESS WITH SENIOR CITIZENS

A Retired Older Couple returned to a Corvette dealership where the salesman had just sold the Corvette they had been interested in, to a beautiful, leggy, busty blonde in a mini skirt and a halter top.

The Retired man was visibly upset. He spoke to the salesman sharply, "Young man, I thought you said you would hold that car till we raised the \$85,000 asking price! Yet I just overheard you close the deal for \$72,000 to the lovely young lady there. And if I remember right, you had insisted there was no way you could discount this model for me."

The salesman took a deep breath, cleared his throat and reached for a large glass of water. "Well, what can I tell you? She had the cash ready, didn't need any financing help & Sir, just look at her, how could I resist?", replied the grinning salesman sheepishly.

Just then the young woman approached the Senior couple and gave the Corvette keys to the Retired man, saying...

"There you go," she said. "I told you I could get that idiot to lower the price. See you later DAD, Happy Father's Day."

Once Again ... Don't Mess with Seniors.

<u>These are actual comments made by South Carolina Troopers that were</u> <u>taken off their car videos:</u>

1. "You know, stop lights don't come any redder than the one you just went through"

2. "Relax, the handcuffs are tight because they're new. They'll stretch after you wear them a while."

3. "If you take your hands off the car, I'll make your birth certificate a worthless document."

4. "If you run, you'll only go to jail tired."

5. "Can you run faster than 1200 feet per second?

Because that's the speed of the bullet that'll be chasing you." (LOVE IT) 6. "You don't know how fast you were going? I guess that means I can write anything I want to on the ticket, huh?"

7. "Yes, sir, you can talk to the shift supervisor, but I don't think it will help Oh, did I mention that I'm the shift supervisor?"



8. "Warning! You want a warning? O. K, I'm warning you not to do that again or I'll give you another ticket."

9. "The answer to this last question will determine whether you are drunk or not. Was Mickey Mouse a cat or a dog?"

10. "Fair? You want me to be fair? Listen, fair is a place where you go to ride on rides, eat cotton candy and corn dogs and step in monkey poop."

11. "Yeah, we have a quota. Two more tickets and my wife gets a toaster

oven.."

12. "In God we trust; all others we run through NCIC." (National Crime Information Center)

13. "Just how big were those 'two beers' you say you had?"

14. "No sir, we don't have quotas anymore. We used to, but now we're allowed to write as many tickets as we can."

15. "I'm glad to hear that the Chief (of Police) is a personal friend of yours. So you know someone who can post your bail."

AND THE WINNER IS

16. "You didn't think we give pretty women tickets? You're right, we don't. Sign here."



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