



2020 KICKS OFF WITH WINTER DINNER CCNJ REP AT 2020 CLC WINTER BOARD MEETING



The 2020 Winter Dinner at The Brownstone; CLC members enjoy a private collection in New Orleans

MEMBERS GATHER AT WINTER DINNER EVENT

By Tony Albarella

One of the benefits of the mild winter we're enjoying is that unlike the previous two years, the annual Winter Dinner event went off without a hitch and on the day it was planned. A few dozen members converged on our favorite location, The Brownstone, to talk, eat, and laugh away the afternoon of February 16, 2020.

An elaborate Tricky Tray was held, Steve Calandra provided both live and recorded tunes, and two club awards were announced. The Charles Hannah Award went to Hildegard Horvath and the Member of the Year Award was granted to longtime Director Lois Harriman.

An award for Lois was long overdue, and if we had a Member of the Decade category, she'd be a shoe-in. Hildegard could not travel to make the dinner but Dick Bankart and Rob Harriman graciously visited with her at the Emerson Health and Rehabilitation Center to present the

award in person. Photos of the visit, as well as visual coverage of the Winter Dinner and Bill Marcy's excellent recap of the event, can be found on pages 10-12.

CCNJ REPs ATTEND 2020 CLC WINTER BOARD MEETING

By Tony Albarella

In late January, the CLC held the Winter Board Meeting in New Orleans, LA. CCNJ region delegate Michael Cascio and friend/member Eric DeVirgilis flew down to attend, and Michael tells us all about the trip in this issue. See pages 5-7 for his comprehensive report.

EVENTS FOR THE 2020 CAR SEASON BEGIN TO ROLL IN

By Tony Albarella

Last month's issue included our 2020 Calendar of Events; if you do not have a copy, please email me for one. Dates and details are always subject to change, but you can use this as guide to set aside certain dates to join your friends as we enjoy another year of cars and

camaraderie. Please note that since the calendar was released, the date of the Clifton Veterans Day Parade has been confirmed for November 1, 2020. Details on the Spring Show and a registration form are also now available; see page 3. We will, of course, provide newsletter and email reminders of all events as the actual dates draw closer.

This is also the time of year when friends from local CLC regions and other assorted car clubs begin to plan their own events. We cannot fit them all into the newsletter, but select events that may interest CCNJ members will appear (as they do on pages 4, 8, and 9 this month), and you'll occasionally find attachments included in the email when I send out the monthly *Caddy Chatter*. The CCNJ proudly supports our fellow car clubs and receives support in return. Once the spring and summer seasons arrive we'll be seeing a lot more activity on this front.



Director's Message March 2020

**Lois Harriman,
Co-Director**

Hello Fellow Members,

And here we are about to start March! Have you printed your Calendar of Events yet for the club? Please do. Go find that email and take another look at our newsletter. I don't want you to miss out on all the fun we have planned for the year.

Our Spring Car Show will be at the Palisades again this year. The registration form is in this newsletter on page 3, so here is another thing to print out and send back to me. Please let your Cadillac friends know of this show. It is at the most beautiful spot and great food is available for all. Please read through the newsletter to find out what else is happening.

We had 45 club members and friends attend our great Winter Dinner at the Brownstone House (see coverage on pages 10-12). We had a fine time with great food, fun, music, and awards. The Tricky Tray event was also a lot of fun. Thanks to all who attended and brought such nice gifts. Next month we start in earnest with club events. Please try to attend with or without your classic. You will not be sorry.

As I told the folks at the dinner, this year is my swan song as I will be winding down as your co-director. It has been fun and in each month coming I will be showing Tom Pirog how I have been doing things...not to be copied but as a guide to do things his way with the board of directors. Bill Marcy awarded me with the Member of the Year award and I am very humbled by it. Also awarded was the "Charles Hannah Award" which was given to longtime member Hildegard Horvath. Hildegard would attend every event she could and it is she who deserves this award. Congratulations, Hildegard!

Please be involved in YOUR club, and bring your ideas. You are the future of our club.

Yours Truly,

Lois



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Begin. Bal. 1/28/20	\$4,956.33
Deposits +	\$2,235.00
Disbursements -	\$3,047.11
Ending Bal. 2/28/20	\$4,144.22

Cadillac Club of North Jersey

"Driving the past into the future!"

29th Annual Spring Show
Sunday April 26, 2020

Rain Date Sunday May 3, 2020

9 am to 3 pm (awards at 2:30)

The Place: Stateline Lookout

Location: Palisades Interstate Parkway, Alpine, NJ 07624

SHOW RULES:

(All cars must have a fire extinguisher)

Open to all Cadillac & LaSalle vehicles. Cars less than 15 years old are for display only. Cars 15 years old (2005) or older will be judged by "Peoples' Choice." All Pre-WWII Cadillac's & LaSalle's enter FREE! Not limited to CCNJ members, but we would be pleased if all participants decided to join the Cadillac Club of North Jersey. Registration begins at 9:00am and ends at 12:00 noon. Cut off time for "People's Choice" Balloting is 1:30 PM. No FOR SALE signs in or on show vehicles. No Consumption of alcoholic beverages at show facility. Please register early!

FEEES FOR SHOW CARS:

PRE-REGISTERED FEE: \$15.00/ ONE CAR

\$ 25.00/ TWO CARS

DAY OF SHOW FEE: \$20.00 PER CAR

TO PRE-REGISTER, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN APRIL 18TH.

TO:

Cadillac Club of North Jersey

174 Brown Ave., Prospect Park, NJ 07508

Checks should be made payable to C. C. N. J.

Name: _____ **Phone No.** _____

Address: _____

Year: _____ **Model:** _____

I understand and will abide by "Show Rules". Signature: _____

Stateline Lookout, Alpine, NJ

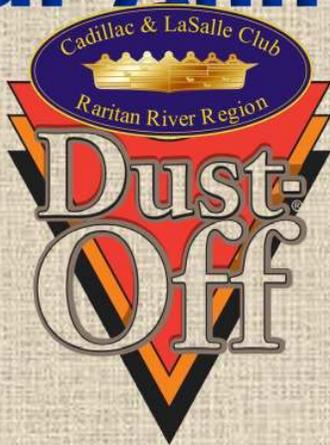
From the Palisades Interstate Parkway (Northbound) The well-marked exit for State Line Lookout is about 2 miles north of Exit 2. Can also be accessed from NJ Route 4 and many other roads.

From the Palisades Interstate Parkway (southbound) Stay in the left lane after passing Exit 3. Take the median U-turn (well marked). Use Caution, as you will need to get into the right lane immediately to exit for State Line Lookout. (The Palisades Interstate Parkway can be accessed from the NY Thruway and many other roads.)

Questions? Need assistance? Call the Club Phone: (201) 888-8727



**Mark
Your Calendar
Saturday
March 28, 2020
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Our Annual**



Here are the details:
Date: Saturday, March 28, 2020
Time: 9 am to 12:00 pm
Cost: \$18.00
Place: St. Stephen Church,
 609 Lane Avenue,
 South Plainfield, NJ 07080

With a new year comes a new location for our Annual Dust Off. So for 2020 we have chosen our monthly meeting location, the Meeting Hall at St. Stephen Church. We'll assemble at 9:00 am on the morning of March 28th for our Dust-Off Breakfast. It is a tradition that dates back

This Year's Location

**The Meeting Hall at
St. Stephen Church
609 Lane Avenue
S. Plainfield, NJ 07080**

to the beginning of region and has always been a fun event. Our buffet will include scrambled eggs, fresh Danish and bagels, French toast, bacon, sausage, potatoes and of course a bottomless cup of coffee! All for a very reasonable cost of only \$18.00 per person. St. Stephen's parking lot can hold lots of collector cars, weather permitting. Daily drivers can be parked at the school parking lot next door.

As we did last year we **WILL REQUIRE** a completed reservation form and your check prior to the event. Please complete the form below and return to Jeff Montgomery no later than **March 20th**.

What to drive: It's always nice to see collector cars, but it is not necessary for this event.

Questions?

E-mail Jeff Montgomery at: JeffM@rrrclc.org
 or call Jeff at 732-406-9120

Day of event call
 Ted Mandalakis:
 732-547-5525



DIRECTIONS

For personalized directions choose you favorite mapping site, i.e., Mapquest, Waze or Google, etc. and plug in:

**St. Stephen Church
609 Lane Avenue,
South Plainfield, NJ 07080**



RARITAN RIVER REGION ANNUAL DUST OFF RESERVATION FORM

Please return with your check for \$18.00 made payable to the RRR-CLC no later than 03/20/20

Mail Your Check (**MADE PAYABLE TO RRR-CLC**) To: Jeff Montgomery 102 Fifth Street Edison NJ 08837

Name: _____ Phone: _____ e-Mail: _____

Number of people attending: _____ X \$18.00 = \$ _____ Total Enclosed

PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN MARCH 20TH, 2020



2020 CLC WINTER BOARD MEETINGS

By Michael Cascio

Special Thanks to Rob Harriman for Assistance with this Article



Winter board meetings for Cadillac & LaSalle Club and for the Museum and Research Center were held in historic New Orleans, Louisiana (or NOLA), from Thursday, January 30th, to Saturday, February 1st. Any CLC member is welcome to attend (to observe) board meetings. Given this open invitation and interesting venue my good friend and CLC member from Pennsylvania, Eric DeVirgilis, joined me in the journey out of Liberty Newark International Airport on Wednesday afternoon. After the flight of about three hours we landed safely at Louis Armstrong International Airport, New Orleans, LA. Just a short (though pricey) Uber ride later, we arrived at the host hotel, the Drury Inn, just a few blocks from world-famous Bourbon Street. The weather during our stay was fair: upper 50's to lower 60's in daytime, a little bit cool for the vicinity, but just nice with a light jacket.

Thursday morning a bus was offered for transport to the National World War II Museum. Eric and I walked the mile-or-so distance rather than riding the bus, to maximize our experience of the area. The museum is HUGE, housing actual vehicles, even ships, and an amazing movie feature titled Beyond All Boundaries, about an hour-long 4D presentation of surround video, accompanied by actual moving aircraft above, a moving floor beneath and remarkable sound. It was quite a learning and moving experience.





After the already full day, Eric and I mustered enough energy to do a little exploration of colorful and lively Bourbon Street. There are more bars and clubs per block on Bourbon Street than about any other in America. Every business has unique neon signage, and every club, restaurant, and pub has its own live music playing at about any time, day and night, in many cases right outside on the street. Inside the hotel, sleeping was a challenge because of the continuous music as well as the noisy old trolley cars passing every ten to twenty minutes.



Friday featured a tour of the private car and automobilia collection of a local CLC friend. The collection also featured an extensive variety of arcade machines, pinball, and other games, and more than one juke box. Amazingly, we were welcomed and even encouraged to touch and work the pieces which are all operational, and no coins required! A local Italian eatery was our lunch destination, and dessert was a deep fried wonder, beignets, akin to our more familiar zeppolis. Coffee served in New Orleans is commonly seasoned or supplemented with chutney, which gives it a mild, slightly sweet flavor. Some say that in olden days this was done to make the rare coffee last longer.





Saturday was the big business day, with the museum board meeting in the morning and CLC board meeting in the afternoon. I am on the club board, but I had to stay near at the hotel all day, in case an audio/technical issue arose [Ed. Note: Michael is also the technical/audio engineer for meetings]. CLC board discussion centered on judging and membership details. Refer to secretarial reports in upcoming issues of *The Self-Starter* for complete information from the board meetings.

Sunday we were up before the sun to catch a 7AM flight back home. This, after a VERY late finish of business Saturday night. I had a short nap of less than an hour upon arrival home, then off I went to the local North Jersey Region board meeting, to begin preparations for our Spring Show at State Line Lookout. It has been very tiring but just as much fun and worthwhile. Happy cruising!



69th ANNUAL COLLECTIBLE CAR SHOW With Swap Meet & Vendors



(Show open to all cars, trucks, and motorcycles)

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020 (Rain or Shine)

Sponsored by
The New Jersey Region of the
Antique Automobile Club of America
at



The Mennen Arena
161 East Hanover Avenue
Morristown, N.J. 07960
Gates open at 9:00 A.M.
Judging Starts at Noon
Spectator Donation \$3.00



Vehicle Pre-Registration \$10.00 - Day of Show \$25.00
No charge for pre-1928 vehicles if pre-registered



10' X 20' Vendor Spaces
Pre-Registration \$20.00 - Day of Show \$30.00

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place trophies in 18 classes

Special display class for original unrestored cars (AACA HPOF)



Vehicles 25 years or older will be judged
People's choice awards for:
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Modern Classics - 1996 or newer



Special awards for the best 1920 & 1970 vehicles

A UL approved fire extinguisher is required for entrance to show field

For Registration and Vendor Info: Vince DeLisi, 326 East Oak Avenue,
Moorestown, NJ 08057

Tel: 908-803-1570 (cell); email – vincentdelisi@comcast.net

Show Info: Pete Cullen - 973-650-2957

Additional show details, as well as forms may be found at:

www.NJRegionAACA.com

NORTHEAST REGIONAL VP JEFF MONTGOMERY SHARES WITH US THE CADILLAC & LASALLE CLUB NOTE BELOW:

Thank you for your time on Saturday to hear of the importance of a successful Fall Festival and the associated sponsorships, donations and entry fees to funding the CLCMRC operations. As I noted on Saturday, we need help from the broad reach of CLC to put a sustainable car recruitment program together. From your Regions VP role, you can make the identification of candidate cars and owners an efficient process, and I specifically want to request you to do that, as will be explained below. I would also offer and request that you 'sign up' to attend one or more of the notable Concours d'Elegance events held around the US, and distribute invitational brochures to all entered Cadillac and LaSalle cars. A list of significant Concours and their dates is found below.

Please endeavor to respond to me with the potential Cadillac and LaSalle cars and owners data from all regions under your guidance in the next 6 weeks (think of this as a St. Patrick's Day deliverable). That will enable our team to follow up with those candidates by early April. Please contact the leadership of each region in your area, and build a list from their knowledge of 'concours quality' cars & their owners in the region. If there are any major Cadillac collections in your geography, please include those as well. Of course, please supplement with your personal knowledge of great candidate cars. At minimum, please include year and model of the car, the owner's name, and the owner's contact information. Other info on the recommended cars is welcomed, but not required. A list of the Fall Festival Concours classes is also below, to help organize your thinking. We welcome Modified and Custom Cadillacs, so keep those in your thinking too!

Please encourage the local regions to include Fall Festival in their event calendars and to encourage participation by their members, attending even if they will not be showing a car. Encourage some creative approaches, like a few members of a region getting together and sharing a vehicle transporter to get their cars to Fall Festival.

I have copied CLC executive officers as well - please feel free to add car recommendations or grab one of the Concours recruiting slots!

Many thanks for your help in building sustainable success for the Fall Festival.

Regards

Paul Phillips

CLCMRC Director and 2020 Fall Festival Concours Coordinator

770-262-9501 (cell)

Fall Festival 2020 Classes

- Class 1 Brass & early cars 1903 - 1914
- Class 2 Classic Era Early 1915 - 1932
- Class 3 Classic Era Late 1933 - 1947
- Class 4 V-12 and V-16 1930 - 1940
- Class 5 Early Fins 1948 - 1958
- Class 6 Fins & Skegs 1959 - 1964
- Class 7 Featured Class 1965 - 1968 Vertical Headlight cars.
- Class 8 Cadillac production 1967 - 1985 Also includes 67-68 Eldorados
- Class 9 Cadillac production 1986 - 1999
- Class 10 Cadillac production 2000 - 2010
- Class 11 LaSalle
- Class 12 Allante
- Class 13 Preservation Any Cadillac or LaSalle constructed in 1976 and before that has not been restored
- Class 14 Modified/Custom Any car that is Cadillac or LaSalle bodied or powered

Major US Concours d'Elegance

Boca Raton, February 9, 2020 Dennis Meneiri
Amelia Island, March 8, 2020
Gasparilla, April 18, 2020
Keels & Wheels, May 2, 2020 - May 3, 2020
Greenbrier, May 3, 2020
Greenwich, May 30, 2020 - May 31, 2020
Cincinnati/Alt Park, June 14, 2020
Keeneland, July 18, 2020
Concours of America, July 26, 2020
Pebble Beach, August 16, 2020
Cobble Beach, September 20, 2020
St. Michaels, September 27, 2020
Hemmings, September 13, 2020 (provisional)
Atlanta, October 25, 2020 (provisional)
Las Vegas, October 23, 2020 - October 26, 2020
Hilton Head, November 1, 2020

CCNJ DINNER REFLECTIONS

By Bill Marcy

Photos by Tony Albarella

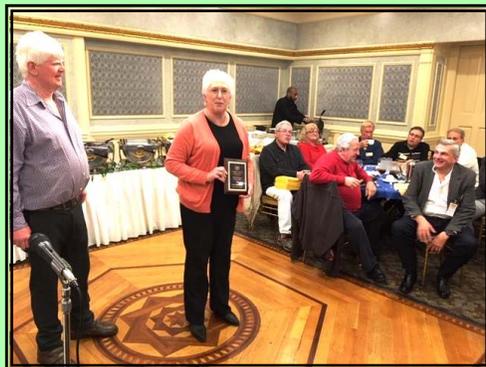
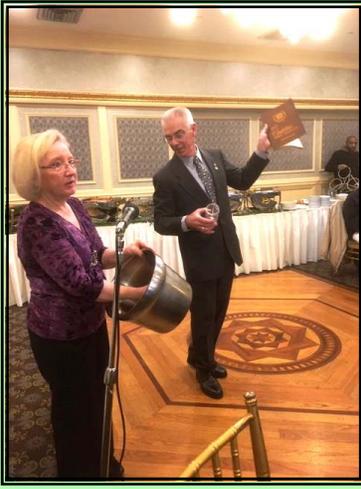
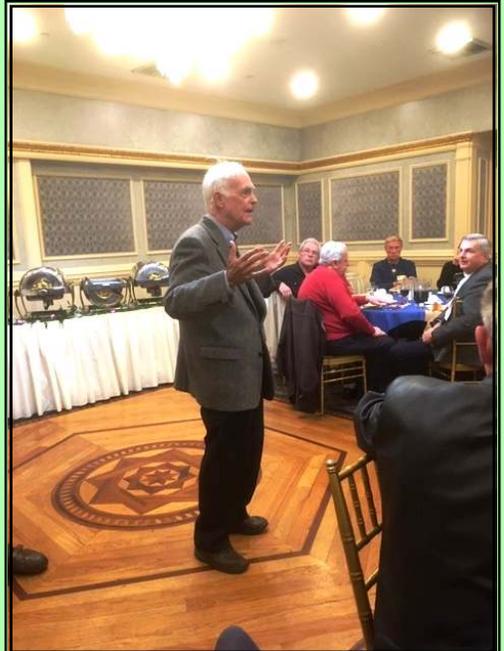
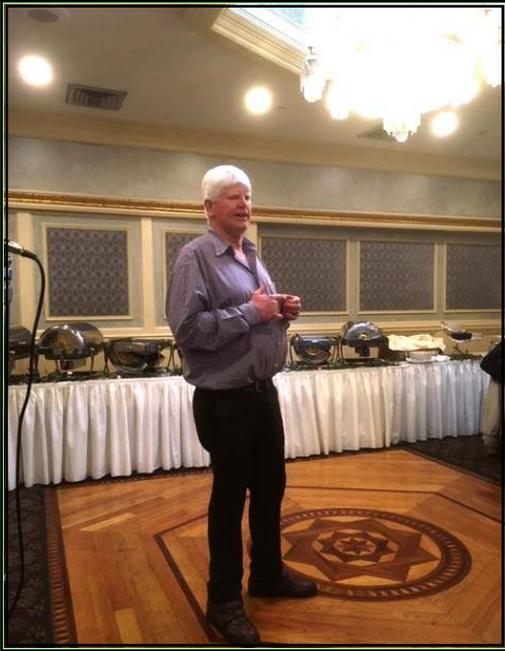


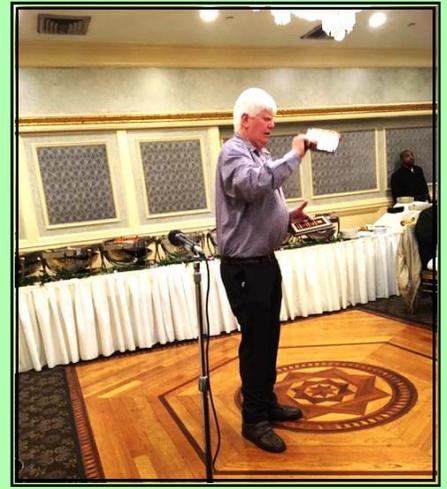
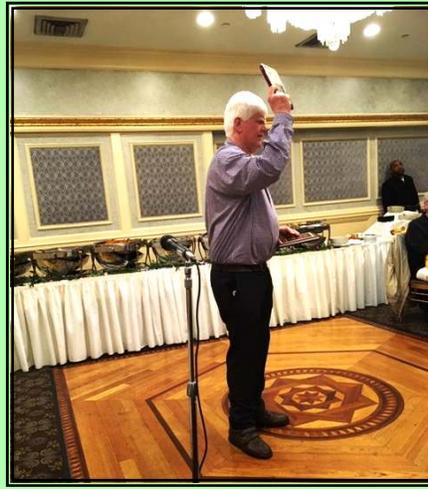
As a longtime CCNJ member, my wife Lucille and I have attended many club dinners over the years; some of these dinners were chaired by yours truly. To chair one of these dinners is very enjoyable, because with a minimum amount of effort, you can create an enjoyable event for everyone who attends. It goes without saying, but some of these dinners can be a greater, or lesser success. There are many factors, such as the venue, the menu, the weather and other factors, some we can't control.

But, I would rate our events at The Brownstone, the best of them all. There are many reasons why I believe this is true. First of all, the venue is top-notch, it is a fine destination for our dinner. The food, service, and the way we are treated make it special. Another attraction is our club DJ, Steve Calandra. The music is never loud and you can talk in a normal voice while the music fills the background. Sometimes Steve will sing for us and he has a fabulous voice, too. All these factors, plus a mood of friendly conversation and fellowship of CCNJ members, truly make for a wonderful time. As if all of this wasn't enough, CCNJ members Roy and Nancy Garretson arranged a waffle sundae bar for us to eat and enjoy. It just doesn't get any better!

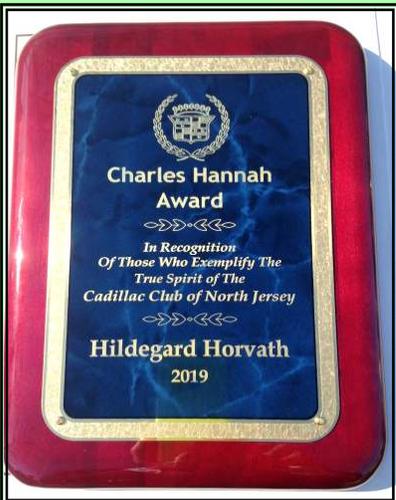


This year's dinner was the usual shade of wonderful. We were all involved in the event and its success. I felt that we enjoyed a wonderful day. The fact is, I received many words of praise from attendees and it makes me happy, but the great success of our club comes from other CCNJ members pitching in whenever and wherever needed. It is the way our members are. It is an absolute pleasure to be a member of CCNJ. Thank you all, for allowing me to be a member of such a magnificent organization.





CADILLAC CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY'S
Winter Dinner!





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68

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2020**

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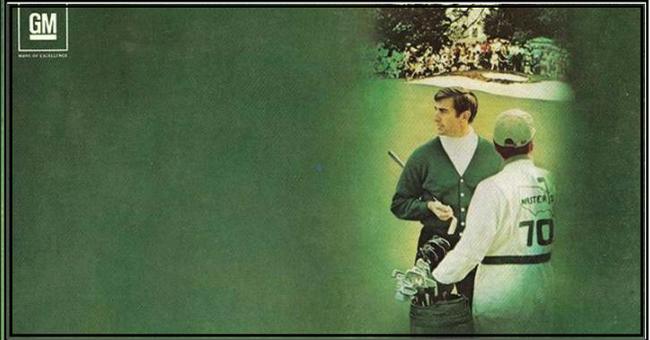


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Thursday, March 19, 2020

**CCNJ Indoor Club Meeting — 7PM Pizza Social, 7:30 PM Meeting
Nonna's Pizza in Paramus, NJ, Route 17 South — Vintage Cars Optional**

Saturday, March 21, 2020

**CCNJ Breakfast Cruise-In — 9AM—11PM — Vintage Cars Optional
The Fireplace Restaurant in Paramus, NJ, Route 17 North**

Sunday, April 26, 2020

**CCNJ Spring Show at the Stateline Lookout, Palisades Interstate
Parkway, Alpine, NJ — 9AM—3PM — See page 3 for details.**