

2017 Annual Newsletter December 2017

Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc.
A 501(c)3 Charitable Organization
PO Box 358
Dunmore, PA 18512

The Board:

Joe Carra, Board President
Barney Comparetta, Vice President
Sal Pizzo, Second Vice President
Dave Thomas, Secretary
Luke Casterline, Treasurer

Active Members: Joe Nasser, Compliance Officer, Mike Macedonia, Mike Greenstein, Tommy Jimmie, Seymour Kurtzweil, Tony Veno, John Zurinskas, Mike Pallo, Mike Sporer, Frank Valvano, Butch Pagotto, Rich Chofey Jr.

www.villacapricruisers.org
Visit us on Facebook



A Message from the Club President

The Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc. had a very successful year in 2017. The weather didn't always cooperate, but we still were able to host most of our Friday night cruises at Friendly's along with our other events and shows. The 23rd Annual Father's Day Car Show, our biggest annual fundraiser and an NEPA tradition, drew over 400 show cars and very many spectators. The sun was out for our Miracle on Wells Street Show for Children's Miracle Network, the Alex's Lemonade Stand show, and the Big Show at Home Depot. Our Charity Car Show this year benefited Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA, and was very well attended. This year, our members got together to provide grilled food for this event. It was loads of fun, and we were able to raise more money for the kids because of this effort.

I would like to sincerely thank our many dedicated sponsors for once again stepping up to **Make a Child Smile, One at a Time**. None of what we do is possible without the support of our sponsors and the local car clubs with which we collaborate. A special thanks to the dedicated club members who work hard to fulfill our charitable mission.

We look to 2018 with great anticipation! Our initiative to gain more major sponsors is working. In addition to PNC Bank, Scranton Label, Marchione Concessions, and Manasek NAPA Auto Parts, we have obtained major sponsorship from FNCB Bank and Wells Fargo Bank Dunmore Branch. We have already begun our 2018 fundraising, and we are looking forward to another blockbuster of a year.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

Joe Carra, Club President

The Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc. is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. Our mission is best expressed in our motto **Make a Child Smile, One at a Time**. The club was created to help child-related charities throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania, and we also help children on an individual basis when the need arises. 2017 was a good year for fundraising, and we were able to provide monetary donations to:

- Ronald McDonald House
- NEPA Center for Independent Living Transitional Skills Center
- Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA
- Alex's Lemonade Stand
- Geisinger – Children's Miracle Network
- St Joseph's
- Jewish Family Service at Jewish Community Center
- Johnson College Scholarship Program



The club recently donated \$1,000 to the Transitional Skills Center at the Northeast PA Center for Independent Living. Check presentation coming soon....



Villa Capri Cruisers donate to Children's Advocacy Center



The Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc. recently donated \$1,000 to the Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA. From left: Jess Farrell, Advocacy Center; Villa Capri members Frank Valvano, Pat Valvano and Dave Thomas; Mary Ann LaPorta, Advocacy Center, and Villa Capri members Mike Greenstein and Joseph Carra.

Members of the club also get involved in community activities. Among them is the 5k run for Ronald McDonald House, and we provide assistance at the Deutsch Institute Charity Brunch.



Villa Capri Cruisers support Ronald McDonald House



Members of the Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc. present a \$1,500 donation to the Ronald McDonald House at the Gourmet Gala. From left: Luke Casterline, club treasurer; Tony Veno, club member; Joe Carra, club president; Richard Bradshaw, Ronald McDonald House; and Dave Thomas, club secretary.

OLD FORGE

Stand to raise money for cancer

For the fourth year, a lemonade stand will raise money to fight childhood cancer.

The "Mia and the Lemon Drops" stand will be open today from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Felittese Festival grounds on Third Street in Old Forge.

Money raised benefits Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer. Mia Lameo, 11, and her friends volunteer and run the stand.

For information or to donate, see the Mia and the Lemon Drops page on the Alex's Lemonade Stand website, www.alexslimonade.org. Joining again this year is the Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club.

The event also features face painting, food and dessert. Lemonade, of course, is on the menu.

— JOSEPH KOHUT



RONALD McDONALD
HOUSE CHARITIES



The Father's Day Car Show at Nay Aug park has become a great annual tradition! This year, the weather forecast was a little sketchy, but it turned out great and we had 428 show cars. It seemed as if we had more spectators at the show than ever, and there were all sorts of activities, a 50/50, giveaways, music, and food. It is hard to believe we have been doing this show for 23 years! Our members spent many months in preparation for this event. It is hard work, but members always step up to make it a success.



23rd Annual Father's Day Car Show



The summer of 2017 brought rain and inclement weather which affected us and other NEPA car clubs. It seems the Montage Mountain Classics Club got the worst of it, with most of their cruises at South Side McDonalds being rained out. The Coal Crackers in Carbondale didn't fare much better. Fortunately, most of the Pocono Mountain Street Rods cruises at Viewmont Mall had decent weather. The Villa Capri was lucky this year having to cancel only 2 cruises.



Cruises - The Cruises at Friendly's were loads of fun and were generally well attended. Cars and Coffee at Calabria's got rained out in May, but was held in August on a sunny day. We had a great time at our cruise at Vince the Pizza Prince, and in May, we did a cruise at the Gino Merli Center benefitting Vettes for Vets that worked out well. The hot sun shined on our cruise at Peckville Assembly of God with good attendance.



Shows - Our Miracle on Wells Street (Forty Fort) Show for Children's Miracle Network in June was well attended, and helped raise money for this worthy charity. We had loads of fun and raised money for children's cancer at our Car Show for Alex's Lemonade Stand held in Old Forge. This year, our annual Charity Car Show was for the benefit of Children's Advocacy Center of

NEPA. That was a wonderful event with great weather and lots of show cars. We tried something new this year, setting up our grill and selling hamburgers and hot dogs, with Carabello's in Dunmore donating the sausage and peppers. We had a great time, and earned more for the CAC as a result of our efforts.

Overall, our fundraising events went well. Thanks to all who participated.



Our Sponsors and Stakeholders

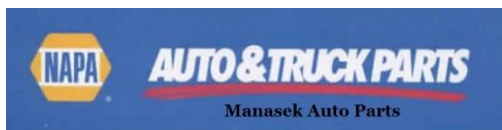
None of what we do would be possible without the continued and dedicated support of our sponsors. Many of our sponsors have been supporters for years! Our sponsor outreach happens in the forms of sponsorships on our calendar, shirt, flyers, signage at events, giveaway gifts, placement on our website, and direct donations.

Car clubs in the area are also very supportive of our efforts. These clubs pay to be listed on our calendar, but more importantly, support our events. These clubs include Coal Crackers Cruisers, Montage Mountain Classics, Pocono Mountain Street Rods, Lug Nuts of Wyoming Valley, NEPR AACA, and Scranton AACA. There are also many organizations in the area who advertise events on our calendar and with whom we collaborate. Everyone who participates is a stakeholder in our mission, and it is greatly appreciated!

Major Sponsors



Marchione Concessions LLC



Other Sponsors Clubs & Stakeholders

Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc Stakeholder Listing 2017

A. I. T. Automotive
AJ Auto Center
Albrecht's Body Shop
Allied Services Integrated Health Care
AAMCO Transmissions, Wyoming PA
Andy's Service Center
Arley Wholesale
Auto Glass Unlimited
Auto Locator and Auto Connection
Auto Zone Stores
Automaniacs
Autotech
Dr. Vincent Bakey
Basilico's Pizzeria
Bloomsburg Metal LLC
BMC Office Furniture
Boccardo Jewelers
John Borgna's Service Station
Brownale Fire Department
Café Collaruso
Calabria Restaurant
Calli Team
Carabello Casual Italian Cuisine
Champion Granite
Chaplin's Honky Tonk Rest. & Saloon
Coal Crackers Cruisers Car Club
Jerry Coffee Automotive
Corpus Christi Parish
Croftgate NEPA Hudzinski Upholstery
D & S Auto Sales
Damage Control Inc
Datom Products
Doors Windows and More
Drinker Pizza
Dunmore Appliance
Dunmore Lumber
Elmhurst Fire Department
Empowerment Solutions
Florey Insurance Inc.
State Rep. Marty Flynn
Fox 56 WOLF TV
Friendly's Restaurant Dunmore
Geisinger/Miracle on Wells Street
Grande Pizza and Family Restaurant

Green Scene LLC
Gronski's
Hamlin NAPA Auto Parts
Haun Welding Supply
Hession Nationwide Insurance
George Highhouse
Home Depot Dickson City
I Suds Em
Ian's Speed shop
Jerry's for All Seasons
Jerry's Sevice Center
Johnny's Auto and Collision
Keystone Crash
Wm. Kramer Mem. Scholarship Fund
K-T Tires
Ladore Lodge and Conference Center
Lameo Assoc. Plumbing & Heating
LaUna Catering
Lispi Towing
George and Mary Ann Loeh
Lug Nuts Car Club Wyoming Valley
M & M Plumbing and Heating
Manasek Auto Parts
Marchione Concessions LLC
Mayfield Hose Company
Joe Mecca Auto Service
Mesko Glass
Mile Hill Collision
Montage Motors
Montage Mountain Classics
Mulherin and Greenstein
Murrin Electric
My Network TV
Nasser & Co., Certified Public Accountants
National Furnace HVAC
NEPR AACA
NEPA CTR for Independent Living
Norm Norton's Body Shop
Olympic Pools
Orr Industries Insulation
Butch Pagotto and Mary Lou Burns
Pane's Garage
Peckville Assembly of God

Pee Wee's Garage
Perrotti, Dr. Joseph DMD
Perry's General Contracting
Pethick Paint Supply Inc
Pittston Marching Band
Andrew Pizzo Bailbonds
PNC Bank
Pocono Mountain Street Rods
Pioneer Distributors
The Original Pocono Pizza
Danny Portanova Body Shop
Price Insurance Agency
Red Barn Village
Replica Rebuildables
Riccardo's Market
Ronnie V's Paint and Body
Rosati's Garage
S & L Motor Service
St. Ann's Basilica
St. Michael's Orthodox Church
Samario's Pizza and Restaurant
Scranton AACA
Scranton Label
Sherwood Chevrolet
Domenick Simrell
Dr. Thomas Simrell, DMD
Sonic Sounds
Sprint Print Marketing Products
Susquehanna County CTC
Swoyersville Boy Scout Troop 143
J. C. Taylor Insurance
Tracey's Hope
Triton Hose Company
Jerry Tully's Custom Cycle and Auto
Tunis Auto Body
Vince the Pizza Prince
R. J. Walker
Plumbing/Heating/Electrical
Walmart Dickson City
Wayne Pike AACA
Wesley Village
Williams Industrial Supply Inc.
ZMB Vending and Buster's Amus.



Pethick Paint Supply



National Furnace Heating & Air Conditioning, L.L.C.

