

## President's Message June 2006

### Club News, May Meeting Re-Cap

Our May meeting worked out great, fair weather prevailed and the central location of Deer Park always brings the members out. The Saturday night Meeting/Cruise-in is a favorite of the members, both new and old. While most of the guys take part in the meeting the wives usually hit Kohl's and do some shopping. Aside from the club cars there were about 75 other classics at the cruise-in. At the meeting we discussed upcoming events like Chevell~abration, The Can-Am Regional, The Stock Appearing Drags, and the possibility of a family BBQ.

The June meeting date, time, and location will be announced mid-month.

*If all goes well, you'll see a new LongIslandChevelles.com in the next week or so. We have been saying that line for the past month. Member Duane Emery has been working extremely hard trying to get the new site complete. Please be patient as he puts the finishing touches on the site. We again ask that anyone who would like to contribute any material for the web site, please do so. Photos, Tech Articles, Recipes, On the Road Stories, and or product reviews are wanted and welcome.*

Meetings at locations like Commerce Bank, Kohl's, and other cruise-ins around the island have been a great promoter for our club. We have had successful membership gains because of these meeting locations and we look forward to having our future 'fair weather' meetings at local cruise-in locations.

**Chevell~abration 2006:** June is Chevell~abration month. Members who are making the pilgrimage to the world's largest gathering of Chevelles won't be disappointed. This year is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chevell~abration and promises to be bigger than ever. If any member still wishes to attend, some last minute cancellations have made some area rooms available. Visit [Team Chevelle](#) for information on recent cancellations. To the members who are making the trip to Nashville this year, enjoy and drive safely. Please note Long Island Chevelles club e-mail will be down from June 3 thru 12 during Chevell~abration. All inquiries will be replied to the week of June 12.

**Can Am / ACES Northern Regional 2006:** This is a 2-3 day event held just minutes from Niagara Falls. A great long weekend with the family or even just the guys. Thus far 3 members have committed to bringing their Chevelles, their family, and their friends to western NY. With or without your Chevelle it's sure to be a great weekend. The dates are July 7-9, 2006.

### **Long Island Chevelles TV:**

Long Island Chevelles TV on Cablevision Channel 20, Fridays at 12AM (Thursday Night at Mid-night) running episodes weekly through September. Currently airing Episode #6, LIC-TV has gotten some great feedback. Each week the members who are taping have been better with practice and LIC-VP Art Capelle is continuing the overwhelming task of trying to self teach himself the art of video editing. Great job Arty.

Coming soon to LIC-TV will be event coverage from Chevell~abration and the Can Am Regional. Tech segments currently in production include a Vortec head swap and carb/distributor tuning.

Long Island Chevelles is actively seeking volunteers or interns for this TV Production Project. Volunteers will be involved in all aspects of producing a  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour weekly TV show. Applicants should have some casual experience in digital video editing. Applicants can be involved in the production, filming, and creative aspects of the show but must be available to edit the raw footage at a minimum. Volunteers may apply individually, as a small group, or as a class project. Volunteers involved in this project may be eligible for community service time. (Check local school guidelines). Interested applicants should contact Long Island Chevelles President Rob Mirabile at 917-379-0366.

## **Long Island Chevelles, project On-A-Budget.**

2006 will launch Project On-A-Budget. This project will have a monthly detailed feature on the club website, along with a tech segment on Long Island Chevelles TV. Designed to bring the hobbyist back to the hobby, Project On-A-Budget will demonstrate how a resto/mod Chevelle can be completed by the average do-it-yourselfer. The project will run for an estimated 12-15 months with articles, photos, and balance sheets showing how you can have a great Chevelle without the assistance of a Wall Street investor. Upon completion project On-A-Budget will be on display at events on the National, regional, and local levels.

**Club Clothing:** T-Shirts, Sweatshirts and Baseball hats are now in stock. Adult women's stretch-tanks are also available in S, M, L. Jackets are available with embroidered club logos and names (special order only). Members interested in purchasing any club clothing should contact Clothing Chairman [Joe Dombal](#)

Quantities are limited and they will be sold on a first come first serve basis. We will re-order when supplies get low.

**Feature Car:** We are pleased to announce Long Island Chevelles first feature car. The feature goes to Bob Kammerer of Old Westbury with his beautiful 66 El Camino. A total of three cars were nominated and the decision was tough. The runner-ups are automatically entered in for the second feature.

To nominate your car as a Feature Car [send in a paragraph or two](#) telling us why you should be worthy of the Long Island Chevelles Feature. The history of your resto/mods should be included as well as personal info that makes your car special. Don't forget to include some before, during, and after photos.

Anyone who needs more information on the out of town trips Like [Chevell~abration](#) or the [Can-Am Northern Gathering](#) can click on either event or call the club at 516-385-8316 for travel/hotel assistance as well as general information about these events.

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Long Island Chevelles *"Bringing the hobbyist back to the hobby"*