

## President's Message May 2006

### Club News, April Meeting Re-Cap

Many of our members attended the Garden City Easter Parade. It's our official 'season opener'. The weather was absolutely perfect for a great Easter morning of muscle cars and classics. Over 600 cars in attendance made this year's parade one of the largest in the 51-year history of the event.

Cruise-Ins and Car Shows are back, and you can keep up to speed on the latest events on the club website. For May, there are several events listed. Special mention to the Long Island Street Rod Show and Swap, the show is usually filled with some great rods but the real action is in the swap meet area. Last year, the swap offered some great deals and lots of vendors... so check it out. We would also like to mention the Long Island GTO Club's show later in the month. We would like to make this a club event and encourage members to attend and spend the day. The show promises to be entertaining for the entire family and the proceeds will benefit the boy scouts.

If all goes well, you'll see a new LongIslandChevelles.com in the next week or so. The launch of our new website will bring a new face to the club and will be a tremendous resource for any gear head as well as a great source of news and entertainment. This new site will once again put Long Island Chevelles on the forefront of the hobby. 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.

Long Island Chevelles is pleased to announce another club discount special. All Long Island Chevelles members will receive a 10% discount at Automat. Automat specializes in automotive interiors and convertible tops and are located in Hicksville, NY. Special thanks to member Steve Walk for setting up this discount program.

The April meeting was a smashing success at Commerce Bank in Mineola. The location was perfect at a very busy intersection with complimenting weather as far as the eye could see. 15-20 classics lined the parking lot causing quite a stir along Jericho Turnpike. A large amount of passing motorists stopped by to check out the classic muscle and chat with the club. Even after the meeting had ended there were still a few old Camaros and Chevelles pulling in to see what the buzz was about. With coffee, donuts, and snacks just footsteps away this location will have to be considered for a return in the coming months.

**Chevell-abration 2006:** Any members who would like to attend CB06 but can't get a room we have an extra available. First come first serve, otherwise the room will be cancelled and up for grabs on June 3. Multiple car convoys usually start rolling out on June 4-7. Check the Team Chevelle, cruise-in section for info.

### 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. LIC-TV will cover club activities, events, and projects. We will also produce tech segments to help others learn the basics of the hobby.

Long Island Chevelles is actively seeking high school volunteers for this TV Production Project. Volunteers will be involved in all aspects of producing a ½ 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:** The club has received two requests for a feature car article. Within the next month, we will make the final choice on who will receive the honor of being Long Island Chevelles first feature car.

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.**

Keep Spreading The Word...

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

Regards,

Rob Mirabile #001