

## January Newsletter

Happy New Year to all the Long Island Chevelles Members, Families, and Friends. 2006 was a great year for the club. Car Shows, Cruise-ins, our own TV Show, and a booming membership are really bringing it all together. We expect 2007 to be even more fun. We've already put together a calendar of events and its chock full of Muscle Car Madness. Like most things here at Long Island Chevelles, its also a work in progress as we'll be updating and adding to it on a constant basis. Check the [event page](#) of the website in the next few days for details. With regard to the website, member Allan Caproruscio has taken over, and big things 'are a commin'. Expect to see more photos, more video links, more tech, more articles, a password protected members only section, and a member services page in the months to come. Don't forget, send in photos of your car for the website and if you do something you'd like to see mentioned in the newsletter, let us know and send in a photo or two.

### News:

The winter months usually bring about projects for many members. Member Ed Lezcano has begun *Project 57*. A resto-mod 57 Chevy that we'll be taping for LIC-TV. In January he'll be completing the tear down and hopefully get it to the beader for stripping. Member John Keel has been having some body panels replaced on his 67 that is slated for a new engine come spring. The only thing holding him back is he keeps blowing apart that 10 bolt rear. Better get it fixed right before the new mill goes in! Members Jim and Chris Wright will be having some seats recovered this winter by member Ron Proffe of [R&R Seats](#). Hopefully we'll have the camera rolling for a great 'how to' episode. Member Steve Maroutsis got some press when his Chevelle was invited to a photo shoot by a popular photo-journalist. Lastly,



member Bill Hafener has been hitting the big screen with his 4 door Chevelle. He did some movie work on the set of 'American Gangster' filming on location in Brooklyn.



Member Lou Lopez the owner of Tri-Auto has closed the big bay door for the final time. After 2 generations in business Lou felt it was time to move on.

Not for the lack of business, as Lou's shop was busy and full until the very last day. The closure has sent many western Long Island classic car owners into a frenzy looking for a trustworthy and loyal shop like Tri-Auto was. The Good News?? Lou has vowed to re-open a smaller shop where he can really cater to his specialty customers on an appointment only basis...more to come.

Forgot to get yourself a Chevelle Calendar?? It's not too late!! The 2007 calendar is chock full of beautiful Chevelles and El Caminos. Ordering info is at [ChevelleCalendar.com](#).

### Member Dues:

Just as last year, member dues are collected during the month of January. Dues are payable by cash, check, or PayPal. Notices will be sent out in early January. Members with less than 1 full year in the club will only have to pay a pro-rated amount for 2007. This is done to align all membership expirations to January for all members. The e-mail notice for dues payment will indicate the exact amount owed. Members with a year and greater in the club will pay the standard rate. Members who are delinquent in their dues will be given amnesty and can pay up in January or be removed from the roster.

### Recruitment:

In an effort to increase recruitment, the membership is encouraged to try and find new members for the club. Any member who brings in a new member will receive a free club t-shirt for their efforts (limited to sizes in stock).

### Holiday Dinner:

Members Lou Scotto-Lavino and Art Capelle worked hard to schedule a holiday dinner. The date is not working out for most members. It wouldn't be a club dinner without a good percentage of the club therefore we are canceling the dinner at this time. Hopefully we'll get an early start for next years dinner and if more members are willing to attend we'll do it and have a great time.

### Long Island Chevelles TV:

As we enter the winter months and are limited in the amount of footage we can tape, LIC-TV will air reruns on both its channels. We will continue to add shows to [Google Video](#) and [You-Tube](#) until all the episodes are available on-line. More recently we have completed the production of the Chevell~abration DVD set. A specially edited DVD set with over 3 1/2 hours of footage from the [10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Chevell~abration 2006 event](#). Ordering info can be found at [Long Island Chevelles, Team Chevelle](#), or by calling the American Chevelle Enthusiasts Society at 615-643-2237, 7-11PM central time, weeknights. The DVD will also be available for purchase at East Coast Chevelle's showroom. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Cameron Hanson Memorial Fund.

### Feature Car:

Long Island Chevelles is on the search for our next feature car. We are looking for cars that are completed, have a great background story, and are owned by members of the club. If you think your car and the story behind it, is worthy of a [Long Island Chevelles Feature](#), send in a few photos and a paragraph or two. Winner will be announced next month.

### Special Thanks:

On behalf of the entire membership of Long Island Chevelles, we would like to extend our most sincere thanks and appreciation to Dave Esposito. Dave is a club member and the owner of [East Coast Chevelle](#). He has allowed us to have our last meeting at his shop and has offered to host future meetings. His showroom boasts his affiliation with the club and he has also offered to sell club merchandise at his shop. Thanks Dave, we really appreciate it.

### January Meeting:

The January meeting will be held closer to the end of the month. An e-mail notification will be sent as well as a posting on the [club website](#) and [Team Chevelle](#).

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