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## Next Meeting

# Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup>

7:30pm Start

Location: Philly Sports Bar



31 South Black Horse Pike  
Runnemede, New Jersey

This meeting will be to review the upcoming 2017 show season. Discuss the shows we will be hosting and identify additional activities the membership wants to participate in.



**Tricia Dressel**

**Marc Carr** (1984 Camaro Z28 - Black)

**Abdullah Alhomoud** (1995 Camaro Z28 - Red)

**James John Leitner, III** (2014 Camaro - Blue)

**True Neal** (2010 Camaro SS - Inferno Or



*Happy Birthday to:*

**Kevin Duffy (01/15)**

**Bobby Goldwyn (01/18)**

**Gale Gant "GG" (01/20)**

**Joseph Schaf (01/24)**

**Andre Street (01/28)**

**Joanie Marie Silvers (02/02)**

**Tricia Dressel (02/07)**

**Joe Cavallo (02/09)**

**Jim Wotring (02/13)**

**Tom Gant (02/25)**

*Happy Anniversary to:*

No one this month.....

*\*\* If you find that we missed your Birthday, Anniversary, New Home/Address, New Car, etc. (anything but your new 'cone') please contact Gale Gant, Secretary so your record can be updated. \*\**

# Past News

## **Christmas Parade & Ugly Sweater Party**

Our club once again was asked to participate in Blackwood's Christmas Parade on 12-03-2016. Following the parade we were invited back to Linda Murphy's for an "Ugly Sweater Party". The turnout was good and a great time had by all. Thanks to Linda for coordinating & opening her home for this evening of fun.



## **Christmas Charity**

For our annual Christmas Charitable Project we played "Secret Santa" to (10) teens ages 14 to 17 yrs. from Deptford High School. Gift bags filled with homemade cookies, variety of candy, and \$20. Gift Card to Walmart were given to each of the (10) students. We received many thanks & appreciation for our generosity from the Deptford High School Nurse's Office who coordinate various charitable projects throughout the year for displaced students & their families in the Deptford area.

The officers would like to express our many thanks to all of our members for your continued support for these and the many charitable projects that SJCCC participants in throughout the year.

*With Appreciation,  
Linda, Tom, Gale, Sue, Billy, & Joe*

# LOGO Contest

As was identified in the February newsletter, we are now: South Jersey Camaro Car Club (SJCCC). The officers have opened the floor to accept recommendations for a new club logo. Anyone interested in presenting a logo should bring it to the meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please make copies to be distributed to the members for voting, also please bring the logo in various formats (.pdf, .jpg, etc.) that can be used for letterhead, t-shirts, hats, stickers, etc. If you plan on using the Chevron from Chevrolet in your suggestion, please remember that you cannot edit it per Chevrolet Intellectual Property rights.

A few options submitted via Facebook (remember even if you submitted via Facebook, you MUST present to the meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup>)



## Are manual transmissions really faster than automatics?



Anyone who knows how to drive a manual, and has visited a dealership in the last few years, has probably noticed that cars with stick shifts aren't as common as they used to be. This change might seem a little contradictory, considering that most of the mainstream auto manufacturers are working toward developing and offering cars that are more and more efficient.

Because, after all, manual transmissions are the most efficient, right? Well, no. Not anymore. The once-mighty manual transmission has lost the efficiency fight. But that's okay, because manual transmissions are still superior in one important area. We always thought that cars with manual transmissions can accelerate more quickly ... right? The truth is, sadly, no.

It's easy to see why a lot of people believe that a stick shift helps a car launch off the line more quickly and accelerate better. Traditional automatic transmissions can sometimes feel sluggish, especially under heavy engine load. Despite their drawbacks, though, automatic transmissions became more popular with the average consumer, and some car companies started phasing out the manual altogether on certain models. Meanwhile, the manual was favored by designers and buyers of sports cars and other high-end vehicles, which may be why



some people still believe they offer superior performance.

Perhaps at some point in the past, manual transmissions were truly and undoubtedly faster than their automatic counterparts. But thanks to advancements and innovations that have helped automatic transmissions become more efficient, they've easily surpassed the reliable old manual in terms of speed. Continuously variable transmissions (or CVTs) and automated manual transmissions shift even more quickly than a traditional automatic (or select the appropriate gear ratio, in the case of the CVT), and a lot of carmakers are phasing in CVTs as the standard gearbox, especially in models that are marketed as having good fuel economy.

This might sting a little, especially for the hardcore stick shift enthusiasts among us. Consumer demand will probably keep manuals alive, to some extent, at least for the foreseeable future, but the writing is already on the wall. Still have a hard time believing that an automatic or CVT is faster than your beloved manual gearbox? Consider this: If a manual transmission was really the fastest option available, why would some high-end manufacturers drop the manual entirely? Surely, Ferrari (as just one example) wants its cars to be as fast as possible, and if a complicated version of an automatic transmission is what gets it done, then that's what it's going to be.






As everyone knows our club has been invited to participate in this years' Philadelphia Auto Show. It was an honor just to be asked and an even greater honor to be in the show.

The following people represented the club:

RJ Cilurso, Anthony Kotsedakis, Thomas J Gant Sr, Michael Murphy, Rich Cantagallo, Randy Rader, Susan Coulter, John Hammond, Joe Castagna, Zoe Moore, and Linda Murphy.



## *Other happenings around the club...*



*The warm weather had the cars come out to play..... Bring on SPRING !!!!*



*Impromptu Night at Tilted Kilt*



*Craving some Root Beer!*



*Fun in the Sun!*

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## FOR SALE



2011 Indianapolis 500 Festival Committee car. The 2SS equipment package—the 400-hp V-8 hooked to a six-speed automatic transmission, the Brembo brake package, 20-inch wheels, and the center-console auxiliary gauge package—as well as the RS package, which fits HID headlights and unique taillights. Unique features of the special-edition cars include the Summit White paint with orange stripes, “Pace Car” graphics on the doors, Indy 500—embroidered headrests for the orange leather seats, and a different grille treatment. Additionally, the interior trim is done in white and features a cool touch with the exterior orange stripes extending onto the dash. Only 500 of the 2011 Festival cars were offered with only 400 being sold in the United States. This car is spotless and only has 1687 miles on it. Additional Items.

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