



May 2016 NEWSLETTER

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Memorial Day 2016

To many, Memorial Day, the federal U.S. holiday that takes place every year on the last Monday of May, is just another excuse for a three-day weekend. It's also known as the day that marks the official start of summer and as a day devoted to getting great deals at the mall. However, the true meaning of Memorial Day goes far beyond barbecues and mattress sales.

The holiday began after the Civil War, and at that time was known as "Decoration Day." While it was originally founded to honor the soldiers who died in the Civil War, today, Memorial Day is a day to honor all of the Americans who have died in military service.

Patriotic Americans should take a moment from their day of celebration and leisure to reflect on the brave sacrifices of those who have given their lives for this great nation. Get inspired by the following 24 Glorious Memorial Day Quotes, which celebrate American heroes, as well as the values that make this country worth fighting for.



24 Glorious Memorial Day Quotes

 Ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country.

John F. Kennedy

 Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and your government when it deserves it.

Mark Twain

- I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country.

 Nathan Hale
- There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured by what is right with America.

Bill Clinton

I have long believed that sacrifice is the pinnacle of patriotism.

Bob Riley

- They hover as a cloud of witnesses above this Nation. Henry Ward Beecher
- Who kept the faith and fought the fight; The glory theirs, the duty ours.

Wallace Bruce

A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself.

Joseph Campbell

- The patriot's blood is the seed of Freedom's tree. Thomas Campbell
- The legacy of heroes is the memory of a great name and the inheritance of a great example.

Benjamin Disraeli (Earl of Beaconsfield)

For love of country they accepted death.

James A. Garfield

The greatest glory of a free-born people is to transmit that freedom to their children.

William Havard

They are dead; but they live in each Patriot's breast, And their names are engraven on honor's bright crest.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty.

John F. Kennedy

- The dead soldier's silence sings our national anthem. Aaron Kilbourn
- On thy grave the rain shall fall from the eyes of a mighty nation!

Thomas William Parsons

We come, not to mourn our dead soldiers, but to praise them.

Francis A. Walker

And they who for their country die shall fill an honored grave, for glory lights the soldier's tomb, and beauty weeps the brave.

Joseph Rodman Drake

Courage is contagious. When a brave man takes a stand, the spines of others are stiffened.

Billy Graham

- Dead upon the field of glory, Hero fit for song and story. John Randolph Thompson
- It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle.

Norman Schwarzkopf

Aspire rather to be a hero than merely appear one.

Baltasar Gracian

And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.

Lee Greenwood

They fell, but o'er their glorious grave. Floats free the banner of the cause they died to save.

Francis Marion Crawford

Area Events Attended By Members:

The Chapel Car Cruise

On May 14th, 2016 we attended the "The Chapel Car Cruise" in Vineland NJ. It took place at the Historic Siloam Cemetery which is over 225 years young. Cemetery tours were conducted by Civil War era re-enactors and they had Historical Presentations On-Site as well. The bonus was that there were a nice variety of Camaros and Firebirds on hand that day!







<u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway – Pace Car Reunion</u> (100th Running of The Indy 500 Celebration). By Pete Jamieson

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS) invited 250 Festival/Pace Cars and Safety Vehicles back to the legendary race track during the Indy 500 time trial weekend on May 19th – May 22nd. Allison Stine and I were one of the lucky folks asked to bring our car back to the Indy where it was originally used to carry Indy driver Marco Andretti as well as one of the Indy 500 Princesses around the track.

It was amazing the number of significant cars that were there ranging from Carl Fisher's (the man who essentially built the Indy 500 track) actual 1915 Packard which paced the race over 100 years ago to a 1972 Olds 442 that originally car carried Miss Hurst Shifter Linda Vaugh around the track with the 10 ft tall shifter and platform to boot! The cars were so impressive, even the race car drivers past and present such as Mario Andretti and Tony Kanaan stopped by to see them and sign some autographs.





In the middle of the three Oldsmobiles is the car that carried Linda Vaughn around the track in 1972, big shifter and all.

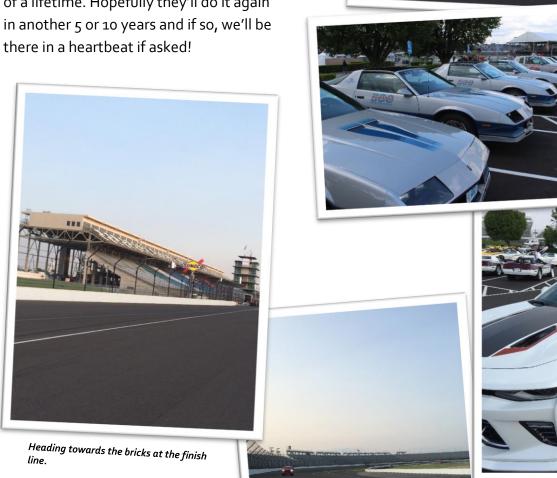
A row of very rare parade cars from 1967. Some are even original owner cars.



1969 Track/Parade Car #25 and next to it is car #36.



To top it all off, every car participating got to do a lap around the track on the second day of the event. One of the 2016 pace cars (actually a 2017 – fiftieth Anniversary Model) led us out onto the track by year – earliest to latest. Since we were considered the baby of the group, with our 2015, we were the last onto the track. Needless to say that was the highlight of our trip and was an event of a lifetime. Hopefully they'll do it again in another 5 or 10 years and if so, we'll be





This year's pace car ready to lead us around the track.

Welcome

Delaware Valley Camaro Club would like to welcome our newest member, *Scott Buzzelli and Gregory Pully*.

Welcome to the *BEST* Camaro/Firebird Club in the Tri-State Area. This club is all about our membership and our love of the cars we drive, in particular our beloved Camaro and Firebird.

You all make it that much better!!!

Members Who Celebrated Birthdays in May:

Happy Birthday Ray W. and Tony Z.

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Area Events

Check the "Area Events" section of the web site for more listings

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Announcements

The next Delaware Valley Camaro Club meeting is scheduled for June 15th. The location of the meeting is Timothy's at the Riverfront Walk in Wilmington, DE. The meeting typically starts at 7:00PM. Come early and join other members for dinner. See you there!!!

Contributors Wanted

If you want to have a story published or you have gone to an event and would like to tell all the members about your time, just jot down a little story, include some photos, and send it to charlesgager107@comcast.net. We will do our best to get it in the next newsletter.

If you are looking for more information, feel free to visit www.delawarevalleycamaro.com. If you have questions or suggestions for events in your area send us a line at: charlesgager107@comcast.net

Monthly Car Humor To Pass Along



