

CORVETTES of Buffalo

MARCH 2022



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President Bob Joseph:



March is here and I have started planning for the season ahead. A trip to Kentucky is planned for the end of April and I am in the planning stages for a trip to the Gilmore Museum during the Memorial Day weekend, plus a trip to Vettes at the Beach in July. There is also the Western New York Debut of the 2023 Corvette Z06 at Van Bortel Chevrolet on June 17th. Sign-up sheets and information for these trips will all be available at the March meeting. There is also the NCCC Convention in Atlantic City in June and the annual Corvettes at Carlisle in August. Complete information for the Kentucky trip in April and the Convention in June are on the Events page on the website.

Planning is also underway for this year's Super Cruise, chaired by Sue Blum. Kevin Horan and Jim Kuczmarski have started putting together the 18th Annual Caravan and Barb Lipome is chairing this year's picnic along with Terry Decker and Marianne Pastore. Help is needed with these the events and sign-up sheets will be at the upcoming meetings.

During the month of March, we will have the updated 2022 Clutch Artists and Corvettes of Buffalo event calendars on the website. They will include the latest info for all the cruise nights and shows in the area.

Finally, I want to Thank my wife Norma for chairing the woman's luncheon at the Olive Tree plus George and Karen Sparks for the dinner cruise at O'Brian's West End during the month of March.

Save the Wave

EDITOR'S NOTE:



Just think, for those people up north, Corvette driving weather is getting closer!

Dear COB friends.... Thanks to Borys Sharvan and especially to his daughter, who visited the LA auto show, we have pictures of the new Z06 on display. They were sent by phone to me late in December but were victims of the holiday rush and our move to Florida. With more details coming out on the new Z06, it seems there is a mad rush of people putting down deposits.

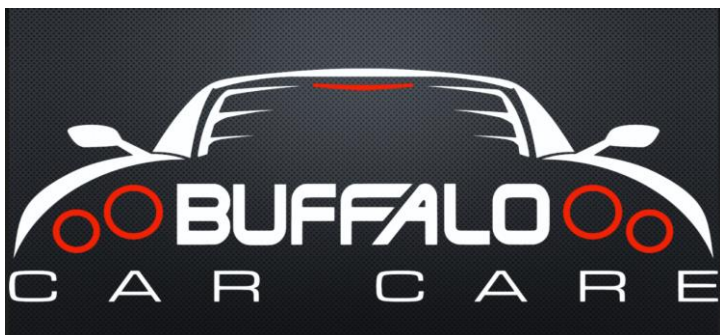
Another thing I just learned is my good COB friends Al Kraft and Colleen Cotter just got married – Congratulations you two – you seem perfect for each other.



Note: This year's Superbowl guessing game had 8 winners.

COB members were: Mel S., Lynn K., Frank P., Terry D., Len Z., and Sue B. (with 2 matching numbers) also, my neighbor Tom G.

Thanks to everyone for joining in. Better luck next year. Sue and Dick Brownlee



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Submissions must be in before the 25th

Late submissions will be published the following month.

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:

13th Mike & Sue Blum

10th Mark & Janet Craft



MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

1st Bob Kaczmarek

6th Mike Blum

10th Lynn Kelly

12th Ed Ehbauer, Brian Wells

14th Jeannette Pepe

19th Julia Etienne

26th Lynn Ienco

28th Midge Woodley

30th Lee Singer

31st Grant Violino

Current Planned Club Events 2022

March 1 st	Ladies Luncheon Olive Tree 12 Noon
March 12 th	Regulator Meeting
March 30 th	O'Brian's Dinner Cruise
April 9 th	Regulator Meeting & Pizza Party
April 27 th -May 2 nd	Season Kickoff Event
May 14 th	Regular Meeting
May 27-30 th	Gilmore Museum Trip
June 11 th	Regular Meeting
June 17 th	Van Bortel ZO6 Debut
June 22 nd	WNYCC Cruise Night (West Herr)
June 27 th	COB night at the Wurlitzer
July 9 th	Regular Meeting
July 21 st	COB Car Show
July 30 th -31 st	Vettes at the Beach (Syracuse)
August 7 th	COB Caravan
August 14 th	COB Picnic
August 25-27 th	Corvettes at Carlisle
Sept. 3 rd	Olcott Beach Car Show
Sept. 4 th	Classics on the Niagara

Editor: More details on some of these events are on following pages



Olive Tree Restaurant

5240 Broadway Lancaster NY

Tuesday March 1st at 12 Noon

Ladies Luncheon

Come join us for Lunch & Shopping on Lancaster's Central Ave.
Let's Support one of our largest supporters.

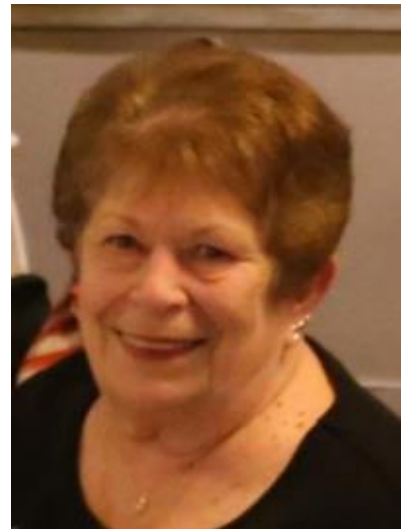


Ladies Luncheon & Shopping
on Lancaster's Central Ave.

5240 Broadway, Lancaster

Tuesday, March 1st, 2022

12 Noon



Lynda Graham:

Attention: Those of you that were unable to attend the February meeting and would like to sign up for the pizza party, please contact me or see me at the March meeting. the cost is \$5.00 per person. The pizza party will take place on April 9th.



Requested Church Pantry Donations...! March: Liquid dishwashing soap, laundry detergent, shampoo, toilet tissue and similar products

Corvettes of Buffalo

Monthly Family Cruise Dinner

O'Brien's West End Inn

340 Union Street, Hamburg 14075

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

6 PM

(Located next to Artcraft Toy Trains at Historic Hamburg train station)

This historic 150-year-old restaurant re-opened December 1, 2021, by the O'Brien Family, famous for their smokehouse meats and fish.

Menu includes:

Soups	Fried Bologna
Smoked Salmon Entrée Salad	
Chicken Fingers	Sausage Hoagie
Quesadilla	Smoked Brisket
Beef on Weck	Polish Platter
Steak Dinner	Baked Fish

O'Brien's features a full bar with several beers on tap.

We will be seated in the banquet room. We will order off the regular menu and have separate checks.



Attached please find the dinner menu (recently updated) for the WEST END INN, scheduled for Wednesday March 30, 2022

George and Karen Sparks



2022 NCCC Convention hosted by East Region

June 12 through 17, 2022

At Harrah's Atlantic City, New Jersey

Located @777 Harrah's Blvd, Atlantic City

Note from Mike Buccilli:

Hello to all,

Please be advised that your hard copy of NCCC membership cards is now being sent out.

Thanks
Mike B

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This menu is served on:
Wednesday 4-9pm
Thursday 4-9pm
Saturday 4-9pm

STARTERS

Stuffed Peppers

Local Hungarian hot peppers stuffed with cheese & sausage over a bed of marinara topped with provolone cheese

9.99

Pizza Logs

Stuffed with mozzarella, red sauce & pepperoni and fried to golden perfection; served with a side of marinara

9.99

Chicken Fingers

Tossed mild, medium or hot with French fries, bleu cheese, carrots & celery; BBQ or Sweet Asian +1

11.99

Smokehouse Sampler Plate

Sample a variety of our house-smoked meats & cheeses with crackers

7.99

Quesadilla

Our smoked pulled pork & cheddar cheese with sour cream & salsa

8.99

French Onion Soup

A crock of robust broth chock full of onions & bread topped with bubbly, melted provolone

7.99

Soup du Jour

Always homemade!

4.99

Basket of Fries

Sweet Potato Fries +1

4.99

MAIN COURSE

Smoked Fried Bologna

House smoked bologna caramelized onions, cheese & mustard with fries

12.99

Smokehouse Sausage Hoagie

A different creation every week... served with French fries

12.99

Smoked Salmon Salad

Our smoked salmon over a bed of fresh greens with raisins, crumbled bleu & pickled egg with a lemon-maple vinaigrette

16.99

Chicken Caesar Salad

Grilled chicken breast, Romaine lettuce, Parmesan cheese & croutons

14.99

O'Brien's Beef on Weck

Our slow roasted sliced roast beef dipped in hot au jus and piled high on a kummelweck roll with a side of horseradish and French fries

13.99

McBrien's Reuben

Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese & Thousand Island on marble rye bread with French fries

13.99

Pulled Pork

House smoked pork on a griddled Costanzo roll with BBQ sauce and Cajun onion string with French fries

14.99

Bourbon Glazed Beef Sandwich

Our slow roasted sliced roast beef sauteed in a sweet & tangy bourbon sauce topped with bleu cheese crumbles

14.99

Smokehouse Mac n' Cheese

Our creamy mac n' cheese topped with house-smoked pulled pork & drizzled with BBQ sauce.... the ultimate bowl of comfort!

13.99

Raspberry Chicken

Stuffed with goat cheese, cranberry and prosciutto pan seared and finished with a raspberry drizzle served with rice & vegetable

17.99

Steak & Fries

12 ounce USDA Choice NY Strip Steak grilled to your liking with French fries; add smoked blue cheese crumbles +2; add dinner salad +3

19.99

Smoked Beef Brisket Dinner

Smoked low & slow for the most tender & flavorful brisket. Served with coleslaw, baked beans & French fries

19.99

DESSERT

Finish your meal with something sweet!
Ask your server for today's selection

ADDITIONAL SIDES

Sweet Potato Fries +1
Mashed Potato +2, Gravy +1
Side Salad +3

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SEASON KICKOFF EVENT 2022

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April 27 thru May 2nd

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Visit the EVENTS page for Complete information

Memorial Weekend



Gilmore History Museum
Barry County, Michigan



Air Zoo History Museum
Portage, Michigan

May 27 thru 30

Sign-up sheet and info at March meeting

Sue Blum: Attached please find a write up for the Super Cruise.

I'm looking for people to possibly join the committee, sign up for positions will begin at the March Meeting. This year's committee is Chaired by Sue Blum, committee members are Bruce Mussehl, Harry Kwiek and Mike Blum.



Corvettes of Buffalo Super Cruise

Gate Proceeds to Benefit WNY Heros
(a Local Veterans Group)
www.WNYHeros.Org

July 21, 2022 Rain date-July 28th

5pm – 9pm Gates open at 4pm

Judging will be announced at 8pm

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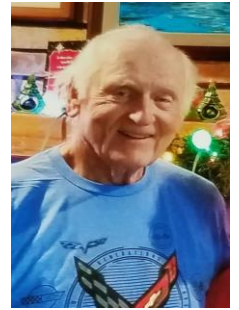
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2022 MiM 'Sights & Sounds of New Orleans'

March 29th – April 2nd, 2022

NCM 'Museum in Motion' is heading to New Orleans. Officially starting Tuesday evening, March 29th – come visit a place where centuries old architecture is the backdrop for a culture so invigorating, it will arouse your spirit. New Orleans neighborhoods are where the culture and creativity of the Crescent City come to life. From the historic French Quarter to the elegant Garden District to the music-filled Marigny, there is great food, music and more to be found across the city.

Make sure you sign on to NCM eNews to get the latest information on all MiM (Museum in Motion) events and on-site events including opening of registration and fees. Questions, contact Maci @ 270-467-8804 or Bryce @ 270-777-4506.



John Meyerhoff

REGISTRATION OPENING EARLY 2022 9 Day Southern CARIBBEAN Cruise with the NCM April 15th – 24th

We are very excited to announce that starting April of 2022 we will once again be offering cruise packages as part of our Museum in Motion program. We would like to thank NCM Board Member Shannon Lamarche, owner of Premiere Luxury Travel, for putting together a spectacular 9-day cruise to the Caribbean on the Celebrity Cruise line. Shannon has very graciously agreed to donate all proceeds and commissions from this cruise to the Museum. This cruise includes C3 Concierge class veranda stateroom and 3 perks: Classic Beverage Package, wi-fi, and prepaid gratuities. (Restrictions apply). Our group will enjoy priority check-in, welcome cocktail reception, a private shore excursion for just our group, Concierge class Embarkation luncheon, dedicated concierge, and a welcome bottle of sparkling wine. This trip is extremely limited so it will sell out fast!

2022 Michelin NCM Bash April 28-30, 2022

Kickoff of the NCM onsite event season with us here in Bowling Green, KY! Returning activities include a seminar and classroom sessions by GM certified Corvette Technician Paul Koerner. Enjoy guided road tours, two celebrity choice car shows, a celebrity autograph session, auctions, book signings, and the Ladies' Oasis.

Seminar schedule and a more detailed agenda will be made available as we can confirm presenter's ability to be onsite. Those that are not with us here at the Museum will be doing live interactive sessions similar to those held at the 2021 Michelin NCM Bash.

2022 MiM 'Branson Experience'

May 31st – June 4th

Registration Opens Early 2022

How about a 'Museum in Motion' to the legendary Branson, MO?!! It's 76 Country Boulevard is famously lined with theaters, which once hosted mostly country music performers but today present diverse entertainment. Stay at the **Hotel Grand Victorian**. Centrally located on the 76 Strip, less than 3 miles from world class shopping at the Branson Landing, and walking distance from all of the best shows, restaurants, and attractions.

This MiM will include a day drive to beautiful Eureka Springs as well as a Dogwood Canyon drive. Enjoy 'The Showboat Branson Belle Dinner Cruise and a Spectacular Branson show. Free time is also on the agenda to explore Branson as you wish!

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NCCC News: Mike Buccilli (our new NCCC Governor)

Hello to all C.O.B members,

I want to advise everyone that it is a great honor to be appointed your new Governor of Corvettes of Buffalo for NCCC.

I would also like to thank Jim Brett for his 10 years of Governorship. Great Job Jim.

Mike Buccilli



FREE FOR ALL PAGE: MAKE IT INTERESTING – (Editor) Send me things!

Hi everyone.... I have some pictures from the LA auto show I would like to share with the club. Although I was not able to attend, my daughter Devon took some great shots. I thought, if the new ZO6 is coming out, it definitely would be here in LA. The orange convertible is loaded with LZ3 and ZO7 package and there's a lot of carbon! Carbon ceramic brakes, carbon fiber front down planes, and these are the new carbon fiber rims! Back in the day they would go for 20 grand each!! The car is three inches wider to accommodate the larger tires. The return to the center exhaust is rumored to make room for twin turbos on the next model c8 Zora or ZR1. The silver ZO6 is how I would spec mine out (if I had the money lol). PS. The gold one is all I can afford right now lol. Thanks, Borys



Editor Note: I wish to thank club members for the increase in articles I have received recently.

Next month you will see pictures Gene Colucci sent after a visit to the **NCRS 43rd. Winter Regional** in Lakeland, Florida and also some more adventures of Pete's former Corvette, now overseas.



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- / Eighth-generation mid-engine architecture and design
- / Fully automatic convertible top with remote operation at speeds up to 30 mph
- / Aluminum structure with carbon-fiber components
- / Wider fenders, quarter panels and front and rear fascias – Z06 is 3.6 inches wider than Stingray, providing a number of grip and handling benefits
- / Standard ground effects and spoiler optimize aerodynamic drag and powertrain cooling efficiency
- / Standard 20-inch front and 21-inch rear wheels
- / Available Carbon Fiber Package with splitter, rockers and spoiler
- / Available carbon-fiber wheels provide an unsprung weight savings of 41 lbs. Available with Z07 Performance Package
- / Available front lift system that raises the front of Corvette almost 2 inches at low speeds to clear low obstacles like speed bumps or steep driveways. The system can store up to 1,000 GPS locations

INTERIOR:

- / 12-inch diagonal cluster display and color Head-Up Display
- / Available carbon-fiber steering wheel rim and paddles
- / Three seat designs available
- / Standard 14-speaker Bose Performance audio system
- / Dual trunks with ample room for luggage on road trips – can hold two golf bags in rear

PERFORMANCE:

- / 5.5L DOHC V8 with 8600 rpm redline, flat-plane crankshaft and 670 horsepower
- / Standard paddle-shift 8-speed dual-clutch transmission combines the smoothness of an automatic with the action and control of a manual
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Editor: thanks, Borys and Devon!



Who would have thought a man born two centuries ago would have such an important role in the performance of the upcoming [2023 Corvette Z06](#)?

German physicist Hermann von Helmholtz deserves the credit for discovering a phenomenon in the 1800s that will help deliver plenty of torque from the Z06's flat-plane crank 5.5-liter engine, which by the way will become the most powerful naturally aspirated V8 ever built when it debuts later this year.

Automotive writing legend [Don Sherman](#), in the current issue of *Automotive Engineering*, explains that Helmholtz discovered that air vibrating inside a closed chamber at a pressure slightly above atmospheric pressure produces the sounds emanating from guitars and whistles.

As *Muscle Cars and Trucks* explains: "In other words, if you tune the length and cross-sectional area of an intake just right for a given engine, the vibrations through the incoming air actually help maintain pressures higher than atmospheric – even naturally aspirated, without the use of forced induction."

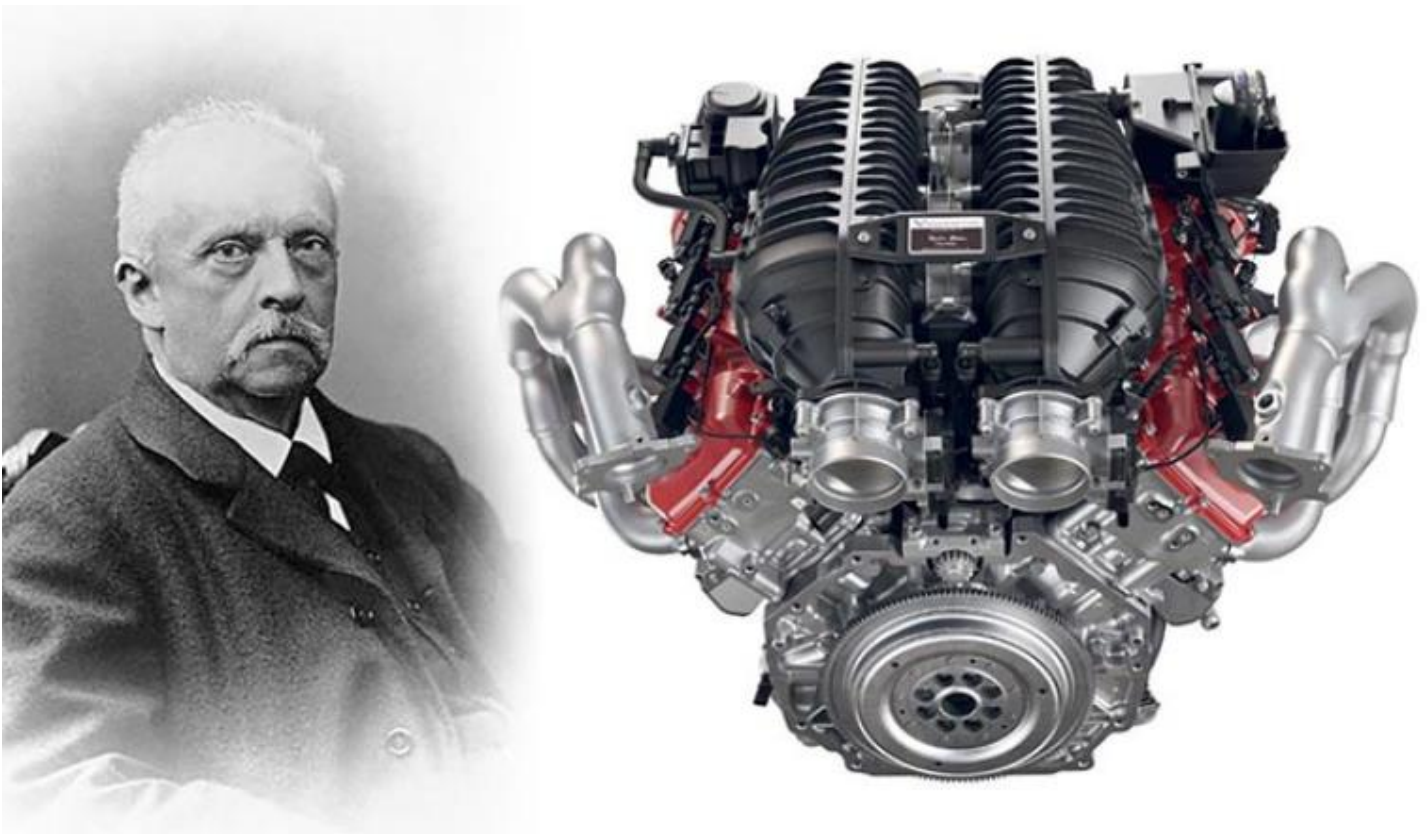


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Sarasota Cars and Coffee February 12th: this is why I like car show/events!

Freddie on the right is a Corvette owner/enthusiast that I met last year when his Orange C8 Corvette lacked the wheel paint and Lambo doors (next page photos). Dave (a name I could remember) on the left is another orange C8 owner that came over to check things out. We had some interesting discussions on the cars.

Below is a ZR1 that caught my attention. Also in attendance was a gorgeous '48 Cadillac convertible and a C2 Corvette with a kiddy car in front. Moving on to the next page is a light green Lamborghini, one of several of the make I saw.

At least 25 Ferraris showed up, some of which you see in a row. Another one nearby, wearing carbon fiber wheels was mentioned to be worth close to \$1 million. My guess was about 400 cars showed up, and I took just over 150 photos. Sometimes it is a waiting game around certain cars, but early and late shots offer the best times. An overcast sky would have helped further. – Editor Dave







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Kevin & Val Horan's (Van Bortel) Z06



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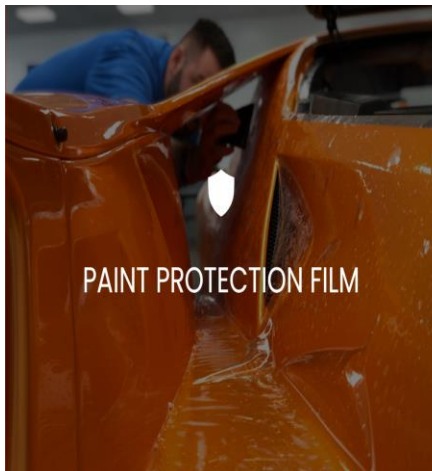
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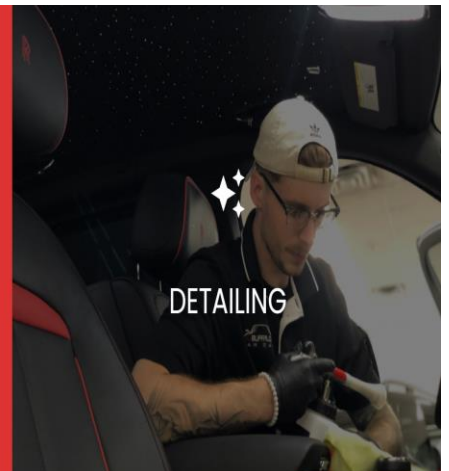
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A Review: Greek and Mediterranean cuisines are recommended to taste at this **restaurant**. Order mouthwatering chicken souvlaki, doner kebabs and souvlakia. **Olive Tree** offers you perfectly cooked pudding, pancakes and ice cream. Try the delicious coffee offered here... The cozy atmosphere of this place allows guests to relax after a hard working day.

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Newsletter Editor Notes:

Restaurateur Russell J. Salvatore and infectious disease specialist Dr. Rajinder Bajwa will be honored when Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center brings back its annual gala fundraising event, the Premier. The black-tie formal, scrapped this year because of the Covid-19 pandemic, will be held Jan. 15 in the Seneca Niagara Casino in the Falls, the medical center announced. The event usually draws a sellout crowd of about 900. The 2020 Premier raised about \$275,000 for the hospital.

Co-chairs of the 2022 event include Buffalo Common Council member Darius Pridgen and his son, Pastor Craig Pridgen, and Dr. Ravinder K. Devgun, Memorial's chief of anesthesiology, and his wife, Sukhmender S. Saran.

Bajwa, Memorial's chief of infectious diseases, led the hospital's response to the pandemic.

Salvatore, owner of Russell's Steaks, Chops & More, has donated millions of dollars to area hospitals, including a major gift to renovate Memorial's welcome center in 2019.

– Thomas J. Prohaska



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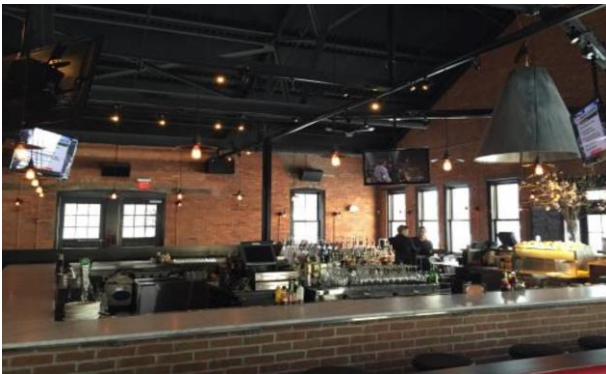
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