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**CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC** Is a non-profit organization formed by those owners who are proud to drive America's only true sports car ...

**"THE CORVETTE"** 

Our club meetings are held 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of the month at Yosemite Falls Cafe 4020 North Cedar, Fresno Located between Dakota & Ashlan Avenues on the east side of Cedar Avenue

# If you are an interested Corvette owner, we invite you to attend.

The one-time initiation fee is \$30.00 and covers the cost of your Corvettes of Fresno window sticker, membership directory, club by-laws, caravan rules and nametag. This fee is due at time of application for club membership along with pro-rated dues amount for the first year.

Our Club Year runs from October 1 through September 30<sup>th</sup>. Annual dues are \$95.00 per year per couple, or \$77.00 per year per individual, payable in advance.

#### COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD WILL MEET May 7 at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD ALL CLUB MEMBERS WELCOME If you wish to attend, please notify Communications Director, Socorro Biglieri



#### CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

| President:                               | Lee Blackstone   |
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| 1 <sup>ST</sup> Vice Pres. – Events:     | Darrick Duerksen |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. – Membership: | Gary Pflepsen    |
| Secretary:                               | Debbie Dukes     |
| Treasurer:                               | Dave Trauger     |
| <b>Communications Director:</b>          | Socorro Biglieri |

#### APPOINTED OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES

| Webmaster:               | Gary Linsner |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| NCCC Governor:           | John Karlie  |
| Sunshine Representative: | Jan Pflepsen |

#### PAST PRESIDENT: Louis Biglieri

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"Fiberglass Forever" is a monthly newsletter striving to provide information regarding Corvettes of Fresno, Inc. to the public at large and to share information regarding COF Club Events/Activities with the general membership.



# WSCC CORVETTE COUNCIL

## Is There A U-Loop Award? Asking for a friend (Clay)

First of all, thanks for the dynamic duo of Mitch Koligian and Clay Mumby for sponsoring a day run through the lush green foothills with stops at the former Humphreys Station, Tollhouse Market, Don Fernando's for lunch, Mono Wind casino and ending up at Ampersands in Clovis for ice cream! The weather was great and the company even better! Rumor has it of a few winners at the casino.

One small incident has me scratching my head for what to do for the wrong turn "whoopsie" that occurred enroute to lunch. Our fearless leader Clay made a premature right hand turn on a road prior to the correct exit. An obvious u-turn award was in order, right? Not so fast... Our "leader from behind" Bruce Garlock got on his radio and let Clay know to stay on this wrong road and it will come out on the correct road as needed, just a leisurely drive through a rural foothill neighborhood. No harm, no foul. So I guess the "U-turn" award will remain in its current location at Allen Teixeira's home. Those in attendance at the restaurant were each treated to a tasty loaf of homemade sourdough bread from Mitch's daughter, whom was once a guest at Terry's House, in appreciation for our generous donations. Thanks again for a great day run, we look forward to the next!

Our public Facebook page is up and running! Thanks to Sheri Garlock for taking charge on this project. To get on, search "Corvettes of Fresno Car Club – COF" and press the "like" and "Follow" buttons, you will then be notified of all articles, posts, and comments on the page. To contribute, just add content and the Administrators will accept the content if appropriate. This step must be done as this will be a public site. Please take a look at this!

Once again, we have increased the raffle donation amount for the "Tahoe Account" with \$250 being raised. Thanks so much!!

In the upcoming month we have Ladies card parties, a mystery dinner run and the five day run to St. George Utah. There is availability on each of these events, so be sure to sign up to be part of the fun. The June activity calendar is filling in nicely, be sure to sign up for these runs!

Lets keep the fun rolling!

Lee Blackstone



**Call to Order:** President Lee Blackstone called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members present were: Lee Blackstone, Darrick Duerksen, Gary Pflepsen, Debbie Dukes, Dave Trauger, Socorro Biglieri, John Karlie, Jan Pflepsen and Louis Biglieri. Gary Linsner was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dave Trauger.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General meeting dated March 19, 2024 were published in the April 2024 Fiberglass Forever newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Bruce Looney; motion approved. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Margaret Tejerian and seconded by Ruth Looney; motion approved.

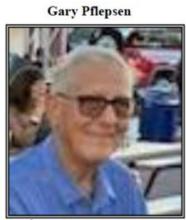
**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Trauger reported the accounts activity for the past month, which is on file to be reviewed by members only. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Don Dukes; motion approved.

#### For balances on both accounts please see Dave Trauger Dave Trauger



Treasurer

<u>Membership Report</u>: Gary Pflepsen reported as of April 16, 2024, Corvettes of Fresno has 59 members and 50 Corvettes. Tonight's attendance is 40 members and 2 guests. Our guests tonight are Tom & Jill Owen. Tom & Jill own a red 1998 C5 coupe.



2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. - Membership

<u>Communications Report:</u> Socorro Biglieri reported the newsletter went out at the beginning of the month. She appreciates everyone posting pictures, it helps her out!

Socorro Biglieri

**Communications Director** 

<u>Webmaster Report:</u> Lee Blackstone spoke with Gary Linsner earlier today and Gary informed him that the web page is up to date and he has added some new features to the website!



<u>Activities Report:</u> Please refer to the Calendar of Events on the club's website at <u>www.corvettesoffresno.com</u>. Darrick Duerksen reported the following:

<u>Past Events:</u> April 2: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Margaret Tejerian. Margaret stated that 9 women attended the card party. There were a lot of laughs, good food and Gerri and Margaret were the champs!! April 13: Sierra Sky Park – EAA movie night, "Cannonball Run". Dave Trauger attended this event and reported that there was free food,

free drinks, played trivia and the movie was funny! A very fun evening.

## Upcoming Events:

April 18 – 20: Gambler's Classic. This event is full. April 20: Run to the Hills, hosted by Mitch Koligian & Clay Mumby. April 26: Grizzlies Game, hosted by Darrick Duerksen. May 2: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Kathy Yergat. Starting time is

10:00 a.m. Please

sign-up on the sign-up sheet if you are interested in going and bring a brunch dish to share.

May 4: Mystery Dinner Run: hosted by Bruce & Ruth Looney. If you are interested on going on this mystery run, please call Bruce for more information; his number is listed in the COF directory. Also, there is a sign-up sheet for everyone to select which month they would like to host a Mystery Dinner run!

## May 11: EAA Movie Night, "Gone in 60 Seconds"

May 19 – 23: St. George, UT, hosted by Larry Minnich. Lee Blackstone stated they will be leaving from McCoy's restaurant at Chestnut & Central Ave. at 7:00 a.m. The drive to St. George will take approximately eight hours. They will stop in Barstow for lunch with a couple of other potty breaks along the way. Please bring your radios and your National Parks pass. If anyone else is interested in going, there is still room for more people.

*June 1: Los Banos, Santa Nella, Gustine*, hosted by Mitch Koligian & Pete Cholakian.

They will leave at 9:30 a.m. from Avenue 7. The first stop will be for lunch at Espana's in Los Banos. After lunch they will visit the National Cemetery in Santa Nella, then onto Wolfsen's Meat and Sausage in Gustine. If time permits, they will tour the Discovery Center in Chowchilla on the way home.

June 8: Veteran's Home, hosted by Mitch Koligian. Meet at Cosmopolitan's at 8:30 a.m. and drive to the Veteran's Home to provide a car show for the Veterans to enjoy! We are asking that each participant please bring a dozen doughnuts to share with the Veterans and the Veteran's home will supply the coffee. Mitch welcomes any suggestions in making this a wonderful event for the Veterans. Mitch suggested that afterwards the members go out to lunch.

# June 22: COF Annual Picnic – 1:00 p.m. Kirk and Kathy Yergat's residence.

There are two sign-up sheets; one for who will be attending and the other is to specify what potluck dish you will be bringing. There will be games and raffle prizes! Also, Mitch and Margaret have offered a raffle for a 3day, 2-night stay at their Cayucos property as a fund raiser for Terry's House! Tickets are \$50 each and the winner does not need to be present to win.

*November 11: Veteran's Day Parade*, hosted by Billie Talley. Lee Blackstone stated that we would like to have as many cars as possible participate in the Veteran's Day parade. We are hoping to have several Veterans that would like to ride in our Corvettes through the parade.

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at Denny's, Blackstone and Herndon.

The next General meeting will be at 7:00pm on May 21, 2024 at Yosemite Falls Café,

4020 N. Cedar Ave.

The next Advisory meeting will be announced at a later date.

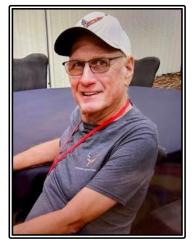
#### **Darrick Duerksen**



1st Vice Pres. - Activities

**<u>NCCC Report:</u>** : John Karlie does not have anything to report at this time.

John Karlie



NCCC Governor

<u>Sunshine Report:</u> Jan Pflepsen stated that Gary & Nina Gagnebin's son has passed away. Sincere condolences to Gary, Nina and their entire family from your Corvettes of Fresno family.

Chuck & Gerri Ware's grandson got married last Saturday! It was a very nice wedding with lots of rain at the outdoor reception! Congratulations!

Birthdays and anniversaries for April were announced.



Jan Pflepsen

<u>Old Business / New Business:</u> <u>Facebook</u>—Lee Blackstone announced that Sherri Garlock will be the head administrator of the new "Corvettes of Fresno Car Club" public Facebook page! This page will require a few club members to help monitor the page and approve posts. If you would like to be a

co-administrator, please contact Sherri or Lee. Thank you Sherri, for administrating this page and getting it going!

<u>Bowling Green raffle prizes</u> – Mitch Koligian suggested that the members that are attending the Bowling Green run in August, purchase with club funds, items for raffle prizes for the club's next Reno/Tahoe event. This would be the perfect opportunity to purchase some anniversary items from the Corvette museum!

<u>Name Tag Drawing:</u> The winner for the April name tag drawing was Lisa Chaney. Lisa was present with her name tag on and won \$10! The May name tag drawing will be worth \$10. **<u>Raffle:</u>** The winner of a four \$25 gift cards to DiCicco's was Dave Trauger. Congratulations!! Also, Darlene Trower, Margaret Tejerian and Jan Pflepsen were all winners of a Corvettes of Fresno club shirt!

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cheryl Blackstone and seconded by Dave Trauger; motion approved.

Meeting was adjourned at: 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Debbie Dukes, Secretary

Secretary

#### Debbie Dukes

## "Best Wishes" to COF Members with May Birthdays



John Karlie 5-10 Debbie Dukes 5-20 Ruth Looney 5-26 Tommy Walkins 5-26 Clay Mumby 5-27

#### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**



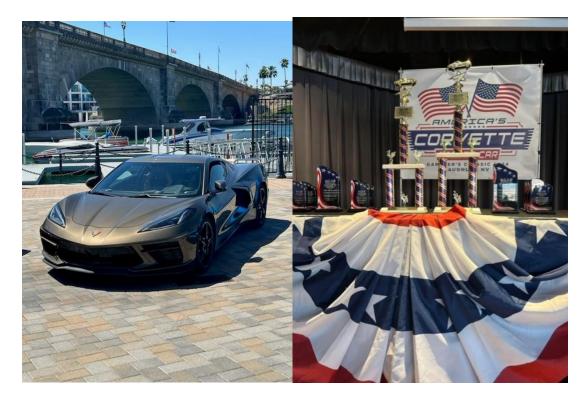
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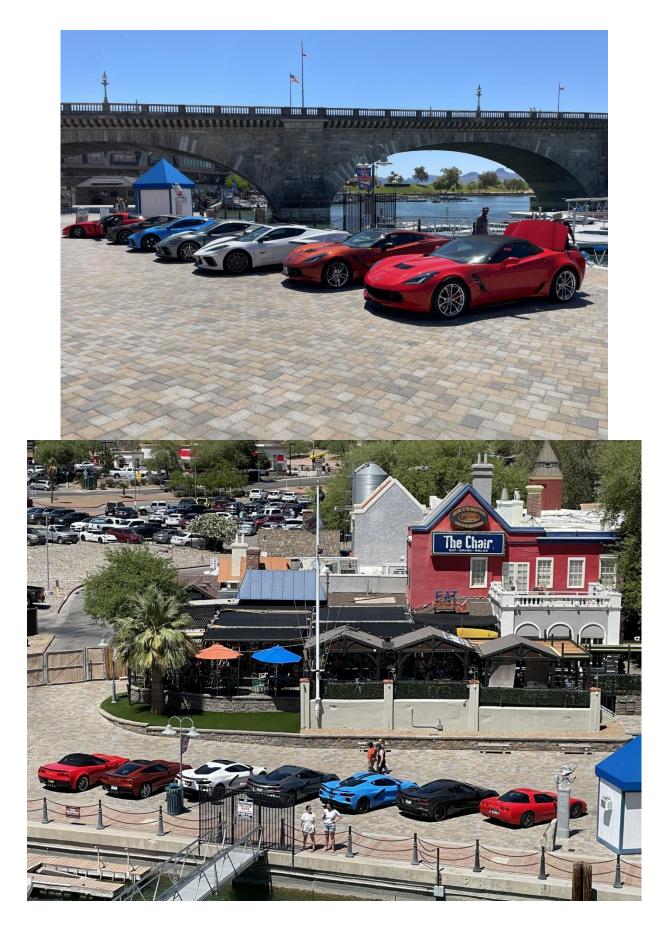
## Ladies card party at Margaret Tejerian home



## Gambler's Classic 2024



#### London Bridge Promemade



## Run to the Hills





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President



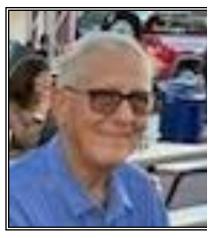
Debbie Dukes Secretary

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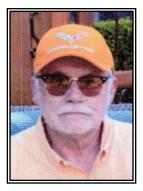


Socorro Biglieri Communications Director

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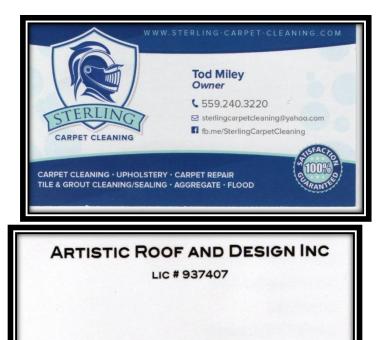


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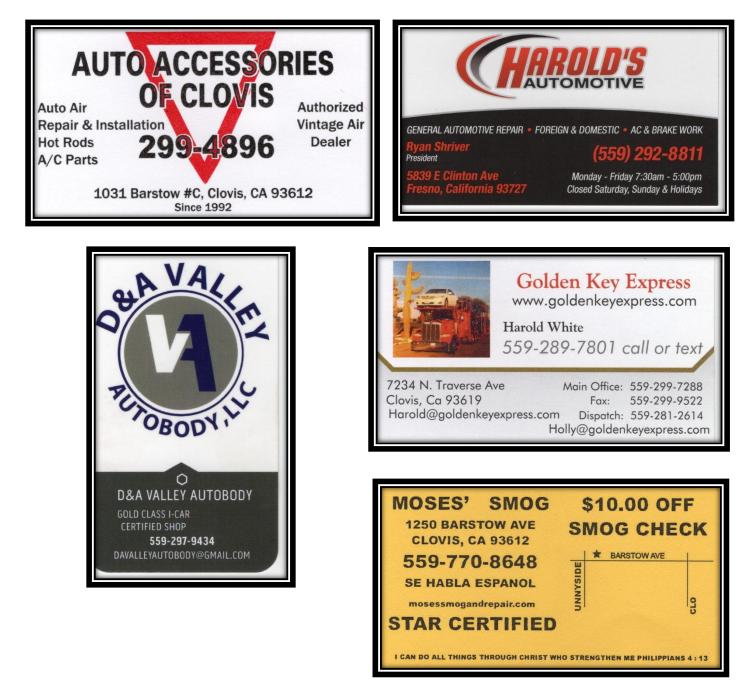
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