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**Our club meetings are held 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of the month at Yosemite Falls Cafe
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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 30th. Annual dues are \$95.00 per year per couple, or \$77.00 per year per individual, payable in advance.



CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ELECTED OFFICERS

**President: Lee Blackstone
1st Vice Pres. – Events: Darrick Duerksen
2nd Vice Pres. – Membership: Gary Pflapsen
Secretary: Debbie Dukes
Treasurer: Dave Trauger
Communications Director: Lisa Chaney**

APPOINTED OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES

**Webmaster: Gary Linsner
NCCC Governor: John Karlie
Sunshine Representative: Jan Pflapsen
Past President: Louis Biglieri**

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COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

**CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD WILL
MEET Tuesday October 1, 2024**

**at
The Old Spaghetti Factory, 6:30 p.m.**

ALL CLUB MEMBERS WELCOME

“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.



PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



Ideas & Commitments, Now is the time!

With the secretary and treasurer positions vacating for next year, now is the time to step up with a desire to fulfill these commitments. In a perfect world, we would need to do a true election to select a person to occupy these critical jobs. Please call, email or text me to place your name on the list.

Another thing to start thinking about is our major fundraiser run such as our Tahoe Tour or a replacement of such whether it be at Chukchansi or Table Mountain for a local flavor or another idea that may work. We are looking for someone to step up and take this bull by the horns and get our flagship run in progress.

We all should be very proud of our commitment to Terry's House for our past donations. Remember, our November general meeting (11/19/24) will be the Terry's house wish list fulfillment meeting where we can bring items from the wish list previously passed out and will be available at the next meeting. We will then make a morning run to Terry's house to present the goods, maybe get a tour of the facility and end up for a great lunch at the Cosmopolitan restaurant. Details and a sign-up sheet will follow.

Again, thanks to Randy & Mitch for the last two "Mystery" runs, both ending up at the Bear Club in Reedley. These runs were different but the same... Go figure!

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the next general meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café on October 15 for a fun time.

Let's keep the fun rolling!

Lee Blackstone

Lee Blackstone



President

President, Lee Blackstone

Corvettes of Fresno
General Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2024

Call to Order: President Lee Blackstone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were: Lee Blackstone, Darrick Duerksen, Gary Pflapsen, Debbie Dukes, Dave Trauger, Lisa Chaney, Gary Linsner, John Karlie, Jan Pflapsen and Louis Biglieri. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Randy Forrester.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General meeting dated August 20, 2024 were published in the September 2024 Fiberglass Forever newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Pete Cholakian; motion approved. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Clay Mumby; 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 Frank Stafford; motion approved. Dave stated that he reconciled the past two years of bank statements with both of the Corvettes of Fresno checking accounts.



Membership Report: Gary Pflapsen reported as of September 17, 2024, Corvettes of Fresno has 57 members and 50 Corvettes. Tonight's attendance is 38 members and 1 guest. Our guest tonight is Dave Molettieri. Dave has now attended two consecutive meetings and he will attend the mystery dinner run on September 21, 2024, which will then make him eligible for membership.

Gary Pflapsen

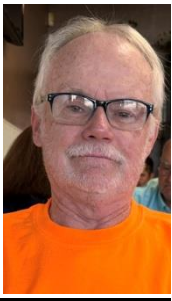


2nd Vice Pres. - Membership

Communications Report: Lisa Chaney has nothing to report.



Webmaster Report: Gary Linsner asked for everyone to please send him some event pictures. Gary would like to refresh the video on the main page of the club website but he needs pictures to do so. Gary stated that the activities are up to date on the website.



Activities Report: Please refer to the Calendar of Events on the club's website at www.corvettesoffresno.com.

Past Events:

August 21 – September 9: Bowling Green, Lee Blackstone reported that he and Cheryl traveled approximately 5,422 miles on their trip to Bowling Green, Kentucky. They averaged 27.8 mpg with an average speed of 60 mph. Lee and Cheryl traveled with the main caravan out of Pasadena which had 100+ cars traveling in it. Lee remarked that they had a lot of fun and saw a lot of beautiful country. The other group from Corvettes of Fresno traveled separately from the large caravan and stayed in their own small group. Pete Cholakian stated that after their group left Bowling Green they went to Louisville and toured the Louisville Slugger factory, Nashville where they attended the Grand Ole Opry and toured the Country Music Hall of Fame, Memphis with a tour of Graceland and Branson,

Missouri. Pete said it was a trip of a lifetime, traveled approximately 5,700 miles and his car averaged 32 mpg.

September 13: Roger Rocka's: hosted by Gary & Jan Pflepsen. Jan reported that 12 club members attended this event. The dinner was outstanding and the show, "The Sound of Music", was fantastic; it was a beautiful production.

September 15: Silver State Classic: Gary Linsner. Gary participated in this event and he had a personal best this year; he ran his car in the 120-mph bracket and his car averaged 15 mpg.

Upcoming Events:

September 19: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Lan Mumby. Starts at 10:00 a.m., please bring a brunch dish to share. Lan stated there will be good food, good company and a good card game. Please come and join them.

September 21: Mystery Dinner run, hosted by Mitch Koligian and Margaret Tejerian. Mitch stated they will be meeting at McCall and 180 at 2:30 with a 3:00 departure time. Dinner is planned for 4:30.

September 24: "Locked In"-7:00 p.m., Dave and Elaine Goudelock will be singing at "Locked In" at Bullard & Marks. This is an open mic venue and they plan to sing around 7:30 p.m.

October 12: Mystery Dinner Run, hosted by the Garlock's and Karlie's. **THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

October 18: Hearts on Fire, Rock N Roll Choir, Dave and Elaine Goudelock. Dave and Elaine will be singing in the Hearts on Fire Rock-n-Roll Choir at the Moravia Winery. They will be performing songs from the Beatle's Abby Road album.

October 19: Breakfast run – 7:00 a.m., hosted by Gary & Pam Linsner. More information will be announced at the October General meeting.

October 21: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Betsy Lindegren. Starts at 10:00 a.m., please bring a brunch dish to share. They will have great food and a fun card game.

October 26: Halloween Party, 4:30 p.m. – Dave and Elaine Goudelock will be having their annual Halloween Party. Please dress in costume, it's a lot of fun.

November 11: Veterans Day Parade, hosted by Billie Talley. Billie asks for everyone to please join in the parade to honor the Veterans. Participants will pick-up some Veterans from the Veterans hospital to take them through the parade in a Corvette. After returning the Veterans to the hospital, they will meet at DiCicco's for lunch and enjoy peach cobbler at Billie's afterwards. Billie is hoping to have at least 20 cars participate, if not more.

December 6: COF Christmas Party, hosted by Cheryl Blackstone. Cheryl stated there will be dinner and dancing at Belmont Country Club. She will provide more information once all of the details have been finalized.

December 7: Nations Toyland Christmas Parade, hosted by Lee Delap. Lee is asking for someone to volunteer to lead the group from McCall and 180 to the parade in Sanger. Lee will already be staged in the parade saving our spots. Afterwards they will meet at the Red Caboose for lunch.

Darrick mentioned that November is short on events. Please try to think of some runs that you would like to host.

Lee Blackstone stated that they will be working on an Ice Breaker for January or February. Also, Lee requested for everyone to keep the weekend of Saint Patrick's Day open so you can attend the Murphy's Day parade.

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on October 1, 2024 at The Old Spaghetti Factory.

The next General meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 2024 at Yosemite Falls Café,
4020 N. Cedar Ave.

Darrick Duerksen



1st Vice Pres. - Activities

NCCC Report:

John Karlie stated that he will be attending a regional Board meeting; via Zoom on Saturday morning, September 21st.



Sunshine Report: Jan Pflapsen reported that Cece Karlie has not had any stents placed yet. Per her husband John, Cece has an appointment with her Tulare cardiologist on September 18th and a telephone appointment with her San Francisco cardiologist on September 23rd to schedule her procedure. John Karlie is doing well but has lost fifteen pounds from his issues with diverticulitis. Joe Bratton is in the hospital with pneumonia and delirium and is awaiting a spinal tap to test for meningitis. On a positive note; Gary Pflapsen's grandson and Jan Pflapsen's granddaughter have both been accepted to Baylor University in Texas! Birthdays and anniversaries for September were announced.



Jan Pflapsen

Old Business / New Business:

Radios: Lee Blackstone reported that on their trip to Bowling Green, the new Rugged radio that they purchased from Bruce Garlock, worked flawlessly. While in a caravan with over 400 cars, the leaders had high powered radios with base units, repeaters and antennas and Lee and Cheryl could hear them very clear from eight to ten miles away. Please contact Bruce Garlock, if you would like to purchase one of these radios.

Board Positions: The two open Board positions are Treasurer and Secretary. No one has volunteered for either position. Mokey Cowger nominated Cheryl Blackstone for the position of treasurer, Cheryl declined. This topic will be revisited next month.

Terry's House Donations: Mitch Koligian suggested club members bring items to donate to Terry's House, once or twice a year. Dave Trauger motioned for November to be a collection month and Mitch Koligian seconded. Motion passed. After the items are collected then we will determine how the items will be delivered to Terry's House. Lisa Chaney will send out a copy of Terry's House wish list to all members.

Club Shirts: Cheryl Blackstone stated that the club shirts that were ordered for the women have not come in yet. Cheryl had been looking at ordering some polo shirts for the men and Sheri Garlock suggested button down shirts also. Cheryl and Sheri will discuss it more.

Club Dues: Mokey Cowger reminded everyone that the annual club dues are now due. If you cannot pay Dave Trauger before you leave the meeting, please talk to Dave and let him know your intentions.

Name Tag Drawing: The winner for the September name tag drawing was John Watkins. John was not present so the October name tag drawing will be worth \$20.

Raffle: The winner of a gift card to The Elbow Room was John Karlie.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pete Cholakian and seconded by Frank Stafford; motion approved.

Meeting was adjourned at: 7:56 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by:
Debbie Dukes, Secretary**



September 15 Roger Rocka's hosted by Gary & Jan Pflepson



September 21 Mystery Dinner Run hosted by Mitch Koligian & Margaret Tejerian





September 24 “Locked In” hosted by Dave & Elaine Goudelock (performing)





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1-Betsy Lindegren

7-Jim Freeman

20-Randy Forrester

25-Gary Linsner

25-Hank Ramirez

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

14-Bruce & Ruth Looney

21- Lee & Cheryl Blackstone



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