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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 Pflepsen
Secretary: Debbie Dukes
Treasurer: Dave Trauger
Communications Director: Lisa Chaney**

APPOINTED OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES

**Webmaster: Gary Linsner
NCCC Governor: John Karlie
Sunshine Representative: Jan Pflepsen
PAST PRESIDENT: Louis Biglieri**

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COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD WILL MEET **September 17 At Yosemite Falls Cafe, **5:30 pm Preceding General Meeting****

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



2755 Miles Later, We Made it!

Greetings from Bowling Green Kentucky. Seven days of driving from Pasadena with 120+ cars starting and picking up another two dozen along the way. At one point our caravan stretched over 5 miles long from Colby Kansas to Kansas City. Six couples from the club have trekked across this beautiful country, seen many sights, varied geography, different cultures and many new acquaintances and new friends have been made!

Cheryl and Cece came up with the idea of purchasing small rubber ducks and attached a tag that says "You've been ducked!" and directed the folks to our public Facebook page to share photos of their experiences and travels with their ducks. This idea was a hit as folks are having fun with the duckies and their travels. Be sure to check out the public page "Corvettes of Fresno Car Club – COF for some great photos. Thanks to Sheri for taking the time to upload and edit these photos!

Many activities at the Museum are scheduled and the festivities are awesome. The weather has not been cooperating as the days are almost 100 degrees with the humidity in the 40% range. My car had dew on the surface at 78 degrees at 8:00 in the morning. Last week was in the 80's and next week is predicted to be the same. Go figure...

All of our vehicles have been performing flawlessly with upper 20's for the MPG. At the end of the Anniversary, several couples are traveling together to Tennessee, Mississippi and Missouri for excursions on the way home. We will be traveling up north on a more direct route.

Our club activities calendar is filling up nicely with mystery dinner runs, card parties, and other events. This is your club to have fun with, but it is important to be a participant instead of an onlooker. The designated run leaders, board members and officers all work hard to make this a viable club!

Let's keep the fun rolling!

Lee Blackstone

Lee Blackstone



President

President, Lee Blackstone

Corvettes of Fresno General Meeting Minutes August 20, 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 and Gary Linsner. NCCC Governor, John Karlie, was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ron Lindegren.

Guest Speaker: Whitney Johnson, the manager of Terry's House and Diane Chrisman, a Development Officer from Community Health System, are here to thank Corvettes of Fresno for the donations we have presented to them over the last three years. Also, several members attending the meeting tonight brought a variety of items to donate to Terry's House. Ms. Johnson explained the purpose of Terry's House and what all they do there. They are extremely grateful for all of the donations from Corvettes of Fresno.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General meeting dated July 16, 2024 were published in the August 2024 Fiberglass Forever newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Gary Linsner and seconded by Pete Cholakian; motion approved. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Ruth Looney and seconded by Margaret Tejerian; 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. Dave announced that the CD's for both of the accounts were rolled over for a seven-month term at the same interest rate as before. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Betsy Lindegren; motion approved.



Membership Report: Gary Pflapsen reported as of August 20, 2024, Corvettes of Fresno has 57 members and 51 Corvettes. Tonight's attendance is 36 members and 3 guests. Our guests are, Whitney Johnson, Diane Chrisman and Dave Molettieri. Whitney Johnson and Diane Chrisman are representatives of Terry's House. Dave Molettieri owns a Ceramic Matrix Gray Metallic C8. Darrick Duerksen is the proud owner of a 2023 70th Anniversary Z06! Congratulations Darrick!

Gary Pflapsen



2nd Vice Pres. - Membership

Communications Report: Lisa Chaney is excited to be on the Board as the Communications Director. Please send her any event pictures that you would like to have included in the newsletter.



Webmaster Report: Gary Linsner reported that the website is currently up to date. Please let Gary know if you have anything that you would like to have added to the website. Gary stated that he has removed all of the members last names from the website, to try to alleviate members from receiving spam emails.



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

Past Events: **July 26: Donation presentation to Terry's House.** Mitch Koligian stated that approximately twenty club members met at Cosmo's to present the donation checks to Terry's House manager, Whitney Johnson. Cosmo's provided excellent service to everyone and the food was very good.

July 27: Mystery Dinner run, hosted by Chuck and Gerri Ware. Margaret Tejerian stated that the dinner was at The Vineyard's in Madera.

August 10: Mystery Dinner run, hosted by Randy and Pam Forrester. Randy reported that approximately 11 or 12 cars with about 20 people attended.

August 12: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Jan Pflapsen. Jan reported that 9 ladies attended, there was a lot of food, recipes exchanged and a lot of gossip.

Upcoming Events: **August 21 – September 9: Bowling Green**, Lee Blackstone stated that there are 6 cars going. 2 cars are starting from Pasadena and 4 cars will be leaving from Fresno.

September 13: Roger Rocka's-5:30 p.m., hosted by Gary & Jan Pflapsen. Approximately 12 people have signed up to attend the dinner and show at Roger Rocka's. If you would like to go, please contact Jan and she will see if there are any seats still available.

September 15: Silver State Classic, Gary Linsner will be attending this event. Please contact Gary if you would like to attend or need more information.

September 19: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Lan Mumby. Starts at 10:00 a.m., please bring a brunch dish to share.

September 21: Mystery Dinner run, hosted by Mitch Koligian and Margaret Tejerian. Mitch stated that this will be somewhat of a Mystery Dinner run. The restaurant just happens to be the same restaurant as the August Mystery Dinner run but the run to get there will be different. 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. Come listen to them sing!!

October 21: Ladie's Card Party, hosted by Betsy Lindegren. Starts at 10:00 a.m., please bring a brunch dish to share.

October 26: Halloween Party, 4:30pm – Dave and Elaine Goudelock will be having their annual Halloween Party. There will be lots of food and live music. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Costumes are strongly encouraged.

November 11: Veteran's Day Parade, hosted by Billie Talley.

December 6: COF Christmas Party

December 7: Sanger Christmas Parade, hosted by Lee Delap

Bruce Looney stated that a host is needed for the October Mystery Dinner run. It does not have to be dinner; it can be breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner. There will not be any Mystery Dinner runs in November or December due to the holidays.

The next Board meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on September 17, 2024, immediately preceding the General meeting at Yosemite Falls Café, 4020 N. Cedar Ave.

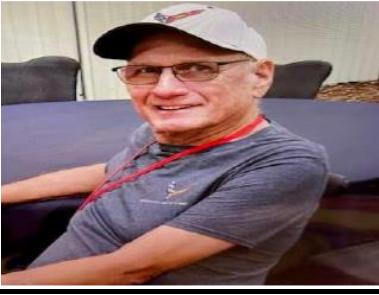
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Darrick Duerksen



1st Vice Pres. - Activities

NCCC Report: John Karlie was absent; no NCCC report.



Sunshine Report: Jan Pflepsen reported that Cece Karlie is having cardiac issues. Cece will be going to San Francisco where they will attempt to insert stents. If this procedure is unsuccessful, then she will have open heart surgery. John Karlie has been diagnosed with diverticulitis. Please keep both Cece and John in your prayers. Walt Spate recently lost his son due to heart disease. Our most sincere condolences to Walt and his family. Birthdays and anniversaries for August were announced.



Jan Pflepsen

Old Business / New Business: *Radios:* Bruck Garlock has more of the “Rugged” radios for sale. If anyone would like to purchase one, please contact Bruce.

Annual dues: Ron Lindegren reminded everyone that the dues are to be paid at the September General meeting. Lee Blackstone stated that the Treasurer, Dave Trauger, will be sending statements to everyone. Please pay by the September General meeting; it will be considered late if not received by October 1st.

Private Facebook Group: Sheri Garlock asked the members in attendance, if they think that only current COF members should be able to access the COF private Facebook group. The members replied “yes”. Sheri will work on removing all former members from the group.

Name Tag Drawing: The winner for the August name tag drawing was Dave Trauger. Dave was present with his name tag on and won \$30! The September name tag drawing will be worth \$10.

Raffle: The winner of a gift card to Fleming’s was Jan Pflepsen! Congratulations!!

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lan Mumby and seconded by Clay Mumby; motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Debbie Dukes, Secretary



July 27 Mystery Run hosted by Chuck & Geri Ware to The Vineyard Restaurant



Presentation of raffle money to Whitney Johnson, manager of Terry's House at Cosmopolitan Restaurant July 26, 2024. Good turnout to support the cause!



August Mystery Dinner Run to The Bear Club in Reedley, hosted by Randy and Pam Forester!



August 12 Ladie's Card Party hosted by Jan Pflpsen



Aug 21 Bowling Green Run





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