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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 30th. Annual dues are \$95.00 per year per couple, or \$77.00 per year per individual, payable in advance.

COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

Please note change of date! CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD WILL MEET Wednesday November 6 Where: Spaghetti Factory at 6:30pm.

All Members welcome to attend



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<u>:</u> 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



PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



Let's finish this year strong and start the new year even stronger!

The final two months of this year will set the tone for the upcoming new year. I want to start by giving a big shout out and thanks to Bruce Looney and Cheryl Blackstone for stepping up to become the new Treasurer and Secretary respectively. These individuals will be great additions to our Board of Directors.

Don't forget to bring the "Wish List" items for Terry's House at the November general meeting and be prepared to deliver these items to their location on the following Friday the 22nd with lunch to follow at the Cosmopolitan.

Several important dates to remember are our final "run" events for the year. They include November 11th for our participation in the Veterans Day parade which Billie Talley will be heading up again. December 6th is our COF Christmas party at the Belmont Country Club. The Committee is finalizing all the details that are coming together nicely. Our final event will be our participation with the Sanger "Nations Toyland Christmas Parade" on December 7th where we will be obliged to transport dignitaries on the route. All of these event dates, times and meeting locations will be on Darrick's section of this newsletter.

Next January we will be having the "President's Ice Breaker" run on the weekend of the 24th thru the 26th with the destination in Monterey. There will be a lunch stop at Phil's Fish Market in Castroville on the way over, a poker run and meal on Saturday and another restaurant location in Carmel Valley on the way home. A flier and lodging information is in this newsletter and a sign-up sheet at the meeting.

February is open for a run of some type, i.e. mystery run, dinner run etc. Cece is working on the St. Patrick's Day run to Murphys again. Keep your ears open!

The November Board meeting will be on Wednesday (not Tuesday) November 6th at the Old Spaghetti Factory starting at 6:30. We changed to Wednesday this month as I have to work elections on Tuesday. We will be discussing the possible replacement run for the "Tahoe Tour", so I highly recommend your attendance for ideas, suggestions and commitments., lets finish strong...

and Let's keep the fun rolling!

Lee Blackstone



President, Lee Blackstone

Corvettes of Fresno General Meeting Minutes October 15, 2024

Call to Order: President Lee Blackstone called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Board Members present were: Lee Blackstone Darrick Duerksen, Gary Pflepsen, Dave Trauger, Lisa Chaney, Gary Linsner, John Karlie and Cheryl Blackstone, Secretary Pro Tem. Absent: Debbie Dukes. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mokey Cowger.

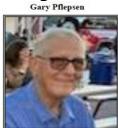
Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General meeting dated September 17, 2024, were published in the October 2024 Fiberglass Forever newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Gary Gagnebin and seconded by Gary Linsner; motion approved. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Kathy Yergat; 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 Ruth Looney; motion approved. If you have any questions concerning either checking accounts of Corvettes of Fresno, please see Dave.



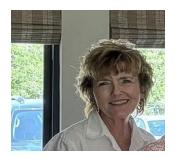
Membership Report: Gary Pflepsen reported as of October 15, 2024, Corvettes of Fresno has 58 members and 49 Corvettes. Tonight's attendance is 32 members and 1 guest.

Our guest tonight is David Noall. David has a 1972 red convertible, a 2002 silver Z06 and a 2013 night race blue Z06. He was brought by Hank Ramirez. Hank Ramirez is also the proud owner of a 2017 Watkins Gray Z06 convertible. Gary also asked for everyone to check the current information in the directory and if you have changes or corrections to be made, please notify him.



2nd Vice Pres. - Membership

Communications Report: Lisa Chaney reminded everyone of the collections for Terry's House. Please bring your items to the November General meeting.



Webmaster Report: Gary Linsner said that the website is good and up to date.



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

Past Events:

September 19 – Ladies Card Party - hosted by Lan Mumby. Lisa Chaney reported that it was a small but mighty group. Everyone had a great time.

September 21 – Mystery Dinner Run - hosted by Mitch Koligian and Margaret Tejerian. It was reported that everyone enjoyed the beautiful drive and the delicious dinner at the Bear Club Restaurant in Reedley.

September 24 – "Locked In" - Elaine reported that it was a good night with 4 people from Corvettes of Fresno in attendance.

Upcoming Events:

October 19 – Mystery Breakfast Run - hosted by Gary and Pam Linsner. All those signed up are to meet at 7:30 am at the Chevron station at Hwy 99 and Avenue 7.

October 21 – Ladies Card Party, hosted by Betsy Lindegren. Starts at 10:00 am. Please bring a dish to share.

October 26 – Halloween Party, 4:30 pm - Annual Halloween Party hosted by Dave and Elaine Goudelock. Please bring your favorite dish and everyone is encouraged to wear a costume.

October 30 – Fairwinds Retirement Community Car Show - Anyone interested in bringing their corvette to Fairwinds for a car show from 3:00 - 6:00 pm, please ask Darrick for more information.

November 11 – Veteran's Day Parade - Billie Talley reported that we have 13 cars signed up to participate in the parade. Participants will pick up Veterans from the Veterans Hospital to take them on the parade route. After returning the Veterans to the hospital everyone is invited to come to DiCicco's at Cedar and Nees for lunch, with Billie's famous peach cobbler to be served for dessert. If you haven't signed up and want to, please let Billie know.

November 20 – Collections for Terry's House - Meet at Cosmopolitan Restaurant (TBD) then head over to Terry's House with the items that have been collected at the November General Meeting. Everyone is invited to return to the Cosmopolitan for lunch.

December 6 – COF Christmas Party - Cheryl Blackstone reported that a few of the ladies will be meeting at Belmont Country Club in the next week to go over the dinner menu. Cheryl also stated that guests of COF members are welcome to come. Please make sure to sign up your guests on the sign-up sheet also.

December 7 – Nations Toyland Christmas Parade - Lee Delap reported that the meeting place and time for those participating in the parade will be at the Park & Ride at 180 and McCall at 9:00 am. The group will leave the Park & Ride at 9:30 am heading to downtown Sanger. Lee Blackstone will lead the group from the Park & Ride into Sanger. After the parade everyone is invited to meet for lunch at the Red Caboose.

January 24-26 – Ice Breaker Run - Lee & Cheryl Blackstone are hosting this run to Monterey. The meeting time and place will be announced at a later date. Please check the COF website for the flyer regarding the hotel information. The deadline to make your reservations is December 24, 2024.

March 14-16 – St. Patrick's Parade in Murphys - hosted by John and Cece Karlie. Save the date and more information to follow.

June 5-7 – Monterey Coast Corvette Cruise - more information to follow.

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 6:30 pm at The Old Spaghetti Factory.

The next General meeting will be at 7:00 pm on November 19, 2024, at Yosemite Falls Café.

Darrick Duerksen



1st Vice Pres. - Activities

NCCC Report: John Karlie stated that our dues will be paid to NCCC as soon as the 2025 membership is verified.



Sunshine Report: Gary Pflepsen gave the Sunshine Report in Jan's absence. It was reported that Sheri Garlock will be going in for hip replacement surgery October 16th. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Sheri.



Jan Pflepsen

Old Business: Nomination of Officers for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer. President Lee stated that Bruce Looney was asked and accepted the nomination as Treasurer. It was moved to close the nominations for Treasurer by Lee Delap and seconded by Billie Talley; motion approved. Cheryl Blackstone was asked and accepted the nomination as Secretary. It was moved to close the nominations for Secretary by Lee Delap and seconded by Frank Stafford; motion approved.

New Business: Discussion was had concerning which charities we will be giving money to this year. In the past we have given to Nancy Hinds Hospice, Marjaree Mason Center, and the California Food Bank. An additional charity, Breaking the Chains was also mentioned. This will go to the Board for more discussion and a decision to be made.

Name Tag Drawing: The winner of the October name tag drawing was Nina Gagnebin. Nina was present to win, making the November name tag drawing worth \$10.

Raffle: The winner of the gift card to The Manhattan Restaurant was Mokey Cowger.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Betsy Lindegren and seconded by Bruce Looney; motion approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm Respectfully submitted by: Cheryl Blackstone, Secretary Pro-Tem **October 19 – Mystery Breakfast Run : Latifs, Turlock CA. -** hosted by Gary and Pam Linsner.







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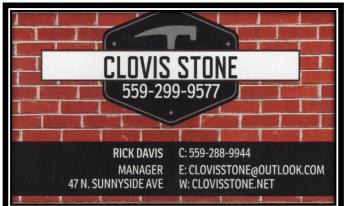


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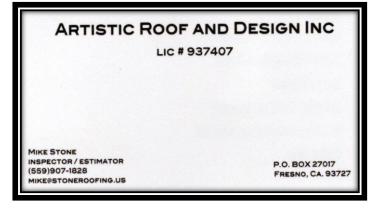
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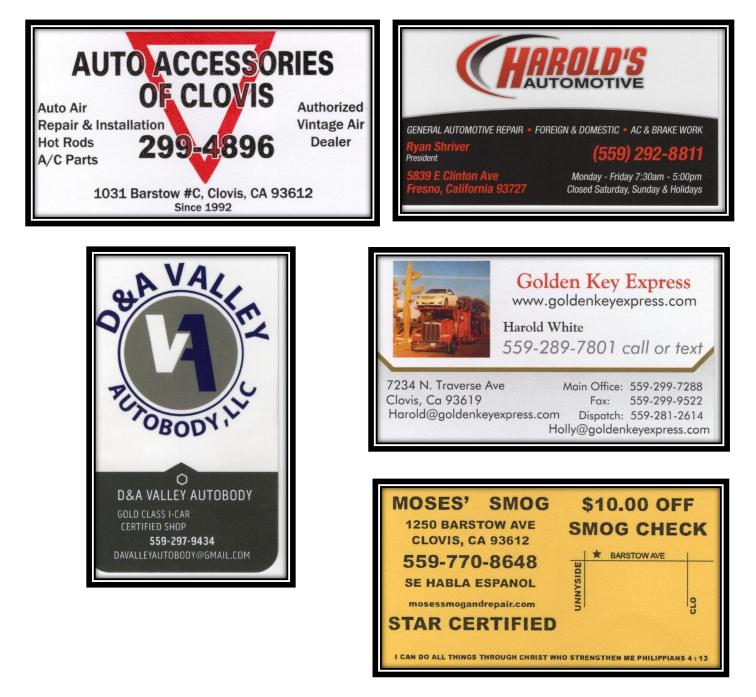
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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS 7-Sheri Garlock 14-Nina Gagnebin 17-Don Dukes 22-Lisa Chaney

No November Anniversaries!





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