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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 MEETINGS ARE CURRENTLY HELD VIA ZOOM the Next Zoom Meeting to be held on January 5th START TIME IS 6:30 PM

ALL ACTIVE CLUB MEMBERS WELCOME TO REQUEST ZOOM MTG LINK CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR



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#### **VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRATEFULLY THANKS

Chris Campbell for his many years of providing COF Webmaster Services.



# PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST

Well, here it is, my last President's Exhaust...

I really don't know what to say. It's been an exciting and frustrating 3 years. It has been a pleasure serving the club the last 5 years, 2 as Event Coordinator and 3 as President.

I want to thank all the board members who volunteered to extend their terms for the extra year. I particularly want to thank Betsy Lindegren for her service during the COVID-19 year. I think she single handedly kept the club alive throughout that stressful year. Her efforts communicating to all the members kept everyone informed and up to date and had a real impact on keeping our membership together.

I have met, and continue to meet, an interesting and diverse group of people in the club. Many of you have come forward with interesting and fun events. What keeps any club vibrant and exciting is participation by all members. Not only in going on runs but also volunteering to create and organize those runs. It also includes volunteering to fill Board positions and provide service to the club.

I hope to continue for many more years with this wonderful group of people and also to meet new members.

Thank You for allowing me to serve,

Save the Wave, Dave Trauger, President





#### Corvettes of Fresno General Meeting Minutes November 16, 2021

**Call to order:** President Dave Trauger called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Board members present were: Dave Trauger, Lee Blackstone, Mokey Cowger, Ron Lindegren, Betsy Lindegren, Socorro Biglieri, Gerri Ware, and Allen Teixeira. Board member Chuck Ware was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was shared by all.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the last General Meeting dated October 19, 2021 were published in the November issue of the Fiberglass Forever Newsletter. A Motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Louis Biglieri and seconded by Carol Trauger. Motion approved. A Motion to accept the minutes as distributed was made by Jerry Najarian and seconded by Allen Teixeira. Motion Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mokey Cowger reported the balance and activity on both the General and Tahoe accounts as of October 31, 2021:

#### General Account:

Deposits / Credits for October totaled - \$2,145.00

- \$ 215.00 2022 Dues
  - 1,600.00 2 dues, 1 add, and 15 Xmas party Tickets,

330.00 – 3 Xmas party tickets, and 1 add.

Checks / Debits for October totaled - \$311.46

- \$ 20.00 Secretary of State
  - 26.00 WSCC for Linsner
  - 58.00 Stamps purchase
  - 32.51 Sunnyside Trophy for 3 name tags
  - 99.00 Misc. Expenses
  - 41.00 WSCC for Devoe
  - 34.95 Chris Campbell Int / Software for September

2021

#### Tahoe Account:

Deposits / Credits – October totaled - \$85.00

\$85.00 – October Monthly General Meeting raffle Checks / Debits for August totaled - \$-0-

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Carol Trauger. Motion approved.

Please see Mokey Cowger for Balances on both accounts.



MOKEY COWGER Treasurer

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**Old Business:** Mokey Cowger informed the membership that we have 11 ads so far, if you want to be part of our Newsletter, the price for the ad is \$60.00 per year, please see Betsy if you have any questions.

New Business: Charitable donations

COF is donating \$500.00 each to the following organizations:

- Ronald McDonald House
- Nancy Hinds Hospice
- Marjaree Mason Center
- Fresno Food Bank.

A motion to donate \$500.00 to each of the above organizations was made by Betsy Lindegren and seconded by Debbie Dukes. Motion approved.

Originally it was decided to deliver these checks on November 18; meet at River Park Shopping Center at 9:00am in front of Mimi's Restaurant and deliver the checks. This run is now postponed to December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meet 9:30 a.m. in parking lot in front of Mimi's Restaurant at Riverpark Center, Fresno. Everyone is welcome, and corvettes always look good when they are delivering money.

### Name Tag Drawing – reported under Membership, p. 6

**50/25/25:** Winners of \$71.00 each were Ruth Looney and Bill Sahatdjian. President Dave Trauger informed the guests, that 50% of the raffle money goes to the Tahoe Account.

Before signing off, President Dave Trauger, thanked the membership for their help during his Presidency at COF, he hopes to see everyone at the Christmas party, and also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bruce Looney and seconded by Cece Karlie. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:01PM.

Sincerely Submitted by: Socorro Biglieri.



SOCORRO BIGLIERI Secretary



# **RON's MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

COF now has 99 members and 71 cars

Ron announced tonight's attendance was 57 members and 7 guests. Ron Introduced the following guests tonight: Jim Setrakian & Debbie, Mitch & Margaret Keligian, Larry Henson & Debbie, and Isaac Atkinson.

**Ron announced November Birthdays and no November Anniversaries** which were also published in the November 2021 Fiberglass Forever. Since we don't have a meeting in



RON LINDEGREN 2nd Vice President MEMBERSHIP

December, he also announced the December Birthdays and Anniversary.

 "Best Wishes" to members with December Birthdays & Anniversaries

 DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

 Gary Gagnebin – 2

 Kirk Yergat – 4
 Lee Blackstone – 26

 Gary Pflepsen – 7
 Jeff Kuykendall – 27

 Buddy Pond – 13
 Jerry Najarian – 29

 DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES
 John & Kelly Jers 15

Following "New Business", Ron conducted the Name Tag Drawing: He announced that last month's winner was Bill Sahatdjian, who was not present. This month's drawing is worth \$40.00. This month's name tag drawing was John Rogers who was not present. January's drawing will be worth \$50.00.

Ron ended his report by thanking everyone for their support during his 3 years as Vice President – Membership saying "and as of now this position is going into the capable hands of Cheryl Blackstone."



## **NOVEMBER 16, 2021 COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

### **Communications Report:**

Betsy Lindegren reported that she was a happy girl because we now have 59 members attending COF Christmas party, and she is looking forward to it.

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Betsy also reported in regards to the Webmaster report, that Chris has been very busy in the last two months, so he is

not able to update COF website, Chris also stated that he is sorry, but he does not know when he will be able to get to it.

Editor's Note: a new Webmaster, Lance McKay, was approved by the Board at their December 1 Board Transition Meeting. Betsy Lindegren was asked to facilitate the transition between Webmasters which is now ongoing.

Webmaster Report: Please see above Editor's note.

## WSCC Report

Allen Teixeira, welcomed everyone, that attended tonight. He apologized on behalf of Yosemite Falls Café, because they only had one server for our group tonight, but as we all know most businesses are having issues with staffing, however, the young lady serving us tonight did an outstanding job, and handled the pressure very well.

Allen thanked Billie for handling the Insurance matter for the Veteran's Day parade. WSCC is our parent organization and they handle third party insurance for us. Allen explained to the membership the new changes with the new insurance. If you have any questions in regards to WSCC make sure to see Allen.

Allen Also informed our guests that they were welcome to COF's Christmas party, this will be counted as one event.

WSCC North West run to Oregon is still on, and they are still meeting via ZOOM.



<u>BETSY LINDEGREN</u> Communications Director NEWSLETTER



ALLEN TEIXEIRA WSCC Representative



# Gerri Ware's SUNSHINE REPORT OF NOVEMBER 16, 2021



Gerri Ware reported that the reason that Chuck Ware was not at the meeting tonight, is because he hurt his back while getting out of his truck. Angie DiLiddo has fallen twice, Gerri talked to her and the doctor told Angie that it will

GERRI WARE Sunshine Representative

probably be about 8 weeks before she is completely healed and back on her feet. Celia Feccia had her second epidural, but did not get the expected results, so she will be seeing her doctor soon. Pam Forrester is doing pretty good with her hip replacement, she is walking. It still aches a little, but overall, she is doing good.

Gerri Informed Betsy that a question was asked about how many guests can we bring to the Christmas party, and Betsy informed the membership that we can host up to 70 people and at the moment we have 59 people coming, therefore we can have 11 more. (EDITOR'S NOTE: PARDINI'S MADE ROOM AND 76 GUESTS ATTENDED OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 4, 2021)





# LEE's ACTIVITIES REPORT

Lee Blackstone reported that the COF Board had a Zoom meeting on November 10th. He informed everyone that Club Members are welcome to attend Board meetings.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**December 1, 2021: Dinner & Transition Board Meeting at the Ware's House starting at 5:30 p.m.** We will resume Meetings via Zoom in January 2022...all Club Members are Welcome & may request a Zoom invite from Betsy Lindegren.



LEE BLACKSTONE 1st Vice President EVENTS

### No General Membership Meeting in December 2021, our next General Membership Meeting will be January 18, 2022 starts 7 p.m.

Meet at Yosemite Falls Café – Granite Park, Fresno, CA Please arrive at least an hour early if planning on eating. Guests Welcome – if planning to attend, contact VP Membership at: <u>membership@corvettesoffresno.com</u>

## Past Event – featured in "Runs Revisited" pp 12 - 16

*November 11:* Veteran's Day Parade. Billie reported that everything went very smooth. Unfortunately, we only had 3 veterans, great club turn out, we had 22 cars. After the parade, the group went to DiCicco's for lunch, and to Billie's house after for margaritas and peach cobbler. It was a beautiful day and a fun event and Billie thanked the participants. Dave also thanked Billie for the effort she put in on handling the Insurance documents.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS Now Past – will be featured in January Newsletter**

**December 4, 2021:** Sanger Christmas Tree parade, hosted by Lee Delap. Meet at the "Park and Ride" at Fowler and 180 at 9:00AM and leave by 9:30AM. Need to be staged by10:00am in the parade route. For those of you that are not familiar

with the parade, there will be dignitaries riding with us in the corvettes. There was no parade last year due to Covid, so this one is a little special. This is also the first time that part of the parade will go down the "Tom Flores Boulevard." Lee Blackstone also invited tonight's guests to attend this run.

**December 04, 2021:** COF Christmas Party. Betsy reported that the Christmas Party "No host Bar" will start at 6:00pm and dinner will start at 7:00pm. There will be a small program to honor a few people, music by Mokey Cowger and we are looking forward to seeing everyone there.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

February 12, 2022: Ice Breaker Run: Hosted by Louis Biglieri:

The run will start at the Chevron station on Ave 7 so plan on being there around 8-8:15am and we'll leave by 8:30. Our first stop will be at Casa De Fruta for a break. Then we'll continue to San Juan Bautista and have lunch at 11 am at Jardines de San Juan. They asked that we arrive about 10 minutes before 11 so they can put tables together for our group. When we leave the restaurant will continue on 156 west to 1 south towards Ragged Point and stop where we will spread Sherry Dosher ashes and then after that will continue to the San Simeon Lodge where we will check in.

I have made arraignments with the San Simeon Lodge for the night of February 12th. The cost of the rooms are as follows one King bed for \$69.00 plus tax, and rooms with two Queen beds for \$89.00 plus tax. We must book the rooms by December 1, 2021 in order to receive the discounter rate. Reservation procedure: Call 805-927-4601 "I would like to book my room from the block 2-12 for the Corvettes of Fresno group."

Dinner will be at the restaurant at the San Simeon Beach Bar and Grill (let me know if you plan on dinner at the lodge so I can make the reservation's) or you can go other restaurants on the north side of town. After dinner we can join in with Karaoke with Elvis in the bar.

Sunday morning the restaurant will be open for breakfast and after you can either head back home or maybe Hearst Castle will be open for morning tours. I hope as we get closer will have more information for Hearst Castle tours. Please feel free to contact me (Louis Biglieri Cell 559-696-2467) if you have any questions. <u>May 18-21, 2022</u>: The Phlepsens are hosting this event. Stay at the Santa Maria Inn, buffet dinner the first night. 20 rooms have been allocated. Visit Los Olivos and wineries. The pre-paid items should be the buffet dinner and picnic lunch. Sign up at meetings or call Gary at 999-2957

Gary has blocked 20 rooms at the Santa Maria Inn. Rates are \$104 for Wednesday/Thursday and \$144 for Friday. Their number is 805-928-7777... Tell them you are with the Corvettes of Fresno group. **The deadline for room reservations will be Jan 1st, 2022.** Depart Fresno 5/18-time TBD. Drive to Morro Bay and maybe have lunch at the Bayside Café, then drive to Nipomo and tour the Luffa farm. Drive to Santa Maria and stay at the Santa Maria Inn with tri tip buffet dinner that night. Next day drive to Lompoc. The flower fields should be in full bloom buy then, they grow a lot of commercial flowers for seed, and we will have picnic outside of Lompoc. That afternoon we will tour the "Purisima Concepcion" Mission. This is a Mission that it was rebuilt and it looks like when it was originally built. The next morning, we will drive to the wine country and have lunch at a little biker's bar, or go to Solvang. Next day either go home or stay longer on your own. So far 13 people have signed up.

**June 02-05, 2022**: Monterey Peninsula Corvette Club at the Embassy Suites in Seaside. Details to follow. Limited to the first 100 cars, as of now, there is only 1 opening. COF has about 7 or 8 cars going.

July 14-17, 2022: Southern Oregon Corvette Association (SOCA) Run. To Grant's Pass Oregon. This Run includes a jet boat ride dinner cruise on the Rogue River, and it runs thru Sunday morning. Please try to make reservations at the Riverside Inn.

<u>July 17-24, 2022</u>: So, if you want to continue this adventure Lee and Cheryl Blackstone are hosting a run to Central Oregon Coast. Leave from Grant's Pass Oregon up to the Columbia River to Astoria and then South. Details are still in the works, but watch your emails and COF website for updates. Please sign up so that Lee and Cheryl can work on the details accordingly.

Before ending, Lee thanked everyone for making this job easier, since this is his last meeting as Vice President - Activities.

#### **RUNS REVISITED:**

#### **November 11, 2021:** FRESNO VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the parade. We were in Div. 1, #10 entry so pretty close to the front of the parade. Everything went smoothly with our lineup to our staging area. We had 22 beautiful Corvettes, some convertibles and some coupes and all beautiful colors. After the parade we went to DiCicco's for a delicious lunch. After lunch, they came out to my house for margaritas and peach cobbler. We had a nice visit while overlooking the lake. This event wouldn't be as successful without all those who participated and I extend my gratitude to all. Looking forward to next year. I also want you to know that the Veterans at the hospital look forward to riding with us in the parade all year long.

#### **Billie Talley**



























# ENJOYED LUNCH AT DICICCO'S (CEDAR & NEES)









## **DESSERT & DRINKS AT BILLIE'S**











THANK YOU, BILLIE... FOR A GREAT 2021 VETERAN'S DAY PARADE RUN!



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#### Louis Biglieri



President

**Socorro Biglieri** 

#### **Randy Forrester**



1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. - Activities

**Mokey Cowger** 

#### **Cheryl Blackstone**



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

**Betsy Lindegren** 



Secretary



Treasurer



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Past President

**Board Appointed Officers** 

WSCC Rep

Sunshine Rep.



**In Transition** 

Webmaster

Allen Teixeira



Gerri Ware



**Dave Trauger** 



## **CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC** December 2021 Edition



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