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



CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC 2022 CONTACT INFORMATION

ELECTED OFFICERS

President: Louis Biglieri E-mail: president@corvettesoffresno.com

1ST Vice Pres. – Events: Randy Forrester E-mail: events@corvettesoffresno.com

2nd Vice Pres. – Membership: Cheryl Blackstone E-mail: <u>membership@corvettesoffresno.com</u>

Secretary: Socorro Biglieri E-mail: secretary@corvettesoffresno.com

Treasurer: Mokey Cowger E-mail: <u>treasurer@corvettesoffresno.com</u>

Communications Director: Betsy Lindegren E-mail: newsletter@corvettesoffresno.com

APPOINTED OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES

NCCC Governor: Allen Teixeira

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Sunshine Representative: Gerri Ware E-mail: sunshine@corvettesoffresno.com

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COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD MEETINGS USUALLY ARE VIA ZOOM

<u>December Board Meeting is for combined</u> <u>2022 and 2023 Officers transition,</u>

Wednesday December 7, 2022
Dinner Meeting Starts 6:30 PM
In person at:
Campania Bistro,
1185 E Champlain Dr, Fresno

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRATEFULLY THANKS

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Chris Campbell for continuing to provide COF Webmaster Services.



As we get into the holiday season, we look back to last year of ups and downs within our club. We lost 2 long time members (Nick and Angie DiLiddo) who passed away during the year and members who sold their rides, and a few who decided not to renew their membership. So going into 2023 we will have 85 members and we will, for this year, concentrate on increasing our membership.

If you have been following Corvettes of Fresno FB page for the last couple of months members Ron, Betsy and most recently, Sherri, have been posting our upcoming club activities...this is another way of letting our members know about our activities. I am hoping more of our members will join the Corvettes of Fresno FB page that way they can keep updated of our COF activities.

Finally, I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Save the Wave, Louis Biglieri, President



Corvettes of Fresno General Meeting Minutes November 15, 2022.

Call to Order: President Louis Biglieri called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members present were: Louis Biglieri, Randy Forrester, Cheryl Blackstone, Socorro Biglieri, Mokey Cowger, Betsy Lindegren, Allen Teixeira, Gerri Ware and Dave Trauger. The Pledge of Allegiance was shared by all.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General Meeting dated October 18, 2022 were published in the November 2022 Fiberglass Forever Newsletter. A Motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Carol Trauger and seconded by Dave Trauger. Motion approved. A Motion to accept the minutes as distributed was made by Dave Trauger and seconded by Nancy Teixeira. Motion Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Mokey Cowger presented the balances and activity reports on both the General and Tahoe accounts for the month of October, 2022.

General Account:

Deposits / Credits: \$2,365.00

\$95.00 - Dues for 1 member

170.00 – Miscellaneous for 4 members

300.00 – Progressive Dinner for 12 members

1,500.00 – Christmas Party for 30 members

100.00 – Christmas Party for 2 members

50.00 – Christmas Party for 1 Guest

50.00 – Progressive Dinner for 2 members

100.00 – Christmas Party for 2 members

Checks / Debits: \$216.76

§ 95.00 – 2023 Dues Reimbursement for 2 members

61.81 - Christmas party Decorations Reimbursement / Biglieri

25.00 - Progressive Dinner Reimbursement / Cowger

34.95 - Chris Campbell - Internet / Software Service for Sept, 2022

Tahoe Account:

Deposits / Credit: \$106.00

\$ 106.00 - October raffle

Checks / Debits: -0-

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Lee Delap and seconded by Clay Mumby. Motion approved.





Membership Report: See: p 6

Communications Report: See: p 6 & See Run's Revisited p 11
Webmaster Report: Included in Communications Report

NCCC Governors Report: See: p 7
Sunshine Report See: p 7

Activities Report: See: pp 8 to 11

New Business / Old Business: Louis presented a beautiful plaque sent from the Marjorie Mason Center to the Club thanking us for the donation earlier. On a note the Board will be deciding what charities to support at the next Board Meeting.

Name Tag Drawing: See Membership Report

50/25/25: The two winners of \$42.00 each were Bruce Garlock and Cheryl Blackstone.

Before ending the meeting, President Louis Biglieri informed the Membership that there will be some By Laws amendments that will be presented to the Members for approval, the Board is still working on getting the wording correctly. Frank Stafford reminded the club that the proposed changes have to be published, so the membership knows what the changes are before voting. Betsy Lindegren confirmed to Frank that the changes that are being proposed will be published in the January Newsletter that will be put out before the January meeting. The Board is meeting to finalize the wording to approve it and be send out. Just letting you know and giving the members the heads up. Louis reiterated there are a couple of proposed changes to help the club to continue to be active and run smoothly. It all will be sent to the membership once we get the wording down.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Socorro Biglieri, Secretary



CHERYL'S MEMBERSHIP REPORT



As of today, COF has ... 85 members and 61 cars.

Tonight's attendance is **41** members and 1 guest. Our guest was: Karen Pearson, President & CEO of Sanger Chamber of Commerce



New Cars:

To keep our Club's records up to date, we have member(s) who have recently taken ownership of a new corvette. If I could please have you stand and share a little information with the Club about your new car.

No new cars to report on.

Name Tag Drawing: The winner of October's Name Tag Drawing was Carol Trauger. Carol was present to win, making November's drawing worth \$10.00. The winner of the November name tag drawing was David Goudelock. David was not present to win. January's name tag drawing will be worth \$20.00.



BETSY'S COMMUNICATION REPORT

Betsy Lindegren reported the following:

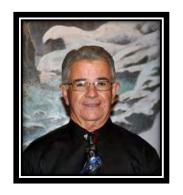
- The Newsletter was sent out to everyone on the first of November, and she hopes that everyone received it via email.
- She is now posting the Newsletter on the Facebook COF Group page.
- The COF Website has recently been updated; however, the October Newsletter did not make it on the site's Home page, that Newsletter can be found on the Newsletter Archive page. Note: The archived newsletters are listed in reverse date order so it will be the bottom link.

Betsy expressed that she is very happy to be here tonight, and hopes that everyone is having a good time.

Webmaster Report included in above Communication's report.

Allen's NCCC Governor's Report

Allen Teixeira reported that thanks to Mokey we are all set to go with NCCC on making the annual membership payment, this is one of our biggest expenses, which is part of the dues that the Members pay and part of that money goes to NCCC, and one of the reasons for that is our insurance. This is third party insurance, which in case someone on an event has



an issue with whatever that maybe, a car or person, or whatever, the Club has insurance to back us up, and is called "Wheels in Motion" insurance. We are all set, good to go, and paid our debt.

Gerri's Sunshine Report

Gerri Ware reported that today is her last Sunshine Report and she will be turning it over to Ruth Looney. Gerri reported that she has nothing to report (Good news because this means that no one is sick.) Gerri announced the Birthdays and Anniversaries for November and December.



Gerri thanked everyone for their support to her as the Sunshine Director.

Please Join us in Celebrating ... December Birthdays



Gary Gagnebin – 2 Kirk Yergat – 4 Gary Pflepsen – 7 Buddy Pond - 13 Lee Blackstone – 26 Jerry Najarian – 29

& our one December Anniversary

John & Kelly Ashley – December 15th





RANDY 'S ACTIVITIES REPORT

Members can refer to Calendar of Events on the Club's website at www.corvettesoffresno.com for up to date and more detailed Run Info. Other sources of information are: COF Facebook Group Page, and/or Group Emails. When in doubt, you can always call the Run Organizer and/or Randy with your question or to sign up.



Editor's Notes

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 Board Dinner Meeting in Person starts at 6:30 p.m. at Campagna's Bistro, Fresno ... This is the transition meeting for the 2022 & 2023 Board Members.

There is no December General Membership Meeting. Hope to see everyone at the Dec. 3rd Christmas Party at Pardini's, Fresno.

Randy had members report on runs that occurred since last meeting:

October 22 – Progressive Dinner: (featured in Nov Fiberglass Forever Runs revisited) Louis Biglieri reported the following: At the Appetizers stop in Visalia, hosted by the Karlies and Biglieris we had 28 members in attendance; after, members drove to the Pflepsens beautiful home in Clovis for dinner and dessert, there were 34 members that enjoyed the great feast that the Phlepsens hosted. Dessert was hosted by the Blackstones and Wares. It was a great event, everyone enjoyed themselves and went home happy. He is hoping that we can do this a yearly event. Does anyone want to volunteer for 2023?

November 14 – Ladies Card Party: hosted by Cece Karlie; Great party, everyone had a good time, played cards. She invited everyone to the next Ladies Card Party at Carol Trauger's home on January 6th. from 10am – 1pm.

<u>November 11</u> – Veterans' Day Parade: Billie Talley thanked everyone that attended this activity; there were 17 cars. Billie mentioned that during the parade there were announcements explaining what COF is all about and how

long this Club has been in this community. After the Parade, the Veterans that drove with the group were taken back to the V. A. Hospital and then members got together at the DiCicco's Restaurant for lunch, and peach cobbler with ice cream provided by Billie Talley was served at the restaurant rather than her home due to inclement weather. Billie said the service at the restaurant was excellent and they did a great job at serving the dessert. Everyone enjoyed the day and Billie hopes that next year more members are able to attend. **Picture of Cars lined up for Parade on back page.**

Future Runs:

December 03: Morning - Sanger Christmas Parade: Hosted by Lee Delap, after the parade for those that desire the group will get together for lunch. Lee's guest, Karen Pearson. She stated that this year is the 74th. Annual Nation's Christmas Tree City Toyland Parade and she is very proud of this accomplishment. She passed little Christmas ornament toys to the members that are participating this year, and after that she thanked the club for our participation. The staging area is Highway 180 and McCall (North East corner,) meet at 9:00am and leave by 9:30am and arrive in Sanger by 10:00am.

December 03: Evening - COF Christmas party at 6:00pm. Gerri reported that cocktails start at 6:00pm and dinner at 7:00pm. If you have not signed up, today is the last day. It is \$50.00 per person; there is a great entertainment planned and she hopes that everyone can come.

January 06: Ladies Card day at Carol Trauger's home in Lemoore. Start time flexible depending upon weather. Her address and cell phone number are in the membership directory. Carol did ask that you be warned there is a speed bump in front of her house. Please let Carol know if you are coming and remember to bring a pot luck dish to share.

January 07: Woolgrowers in Los Banos. Hosted by Shery Garlock, who asked: "Is there a better way to welcome the new year than with some good ol' comfort food?" Meet at the Shell Station on Avenue 7 at 11:00 am and leave at 11:30am. Lunch is at 1:00pm. The food will be served family style and it includes: chicken, tri tip, pork chops, lamb chops, salsa, fries, salad, and ice cream. At the meeting, Sheri stated that the price is \$30.00 per \$34.00 per person including tip and tax, bring cash, and she hopes we all come.

February 2023: Randy is now working on a Valentine's run. More information to follow.

March 25: Club's picnic and Club's 60th Anniversary at the Club house in Quail Lakes, hosted by the Board. Board members will bring a gift to be raffled, and if any members want to bring a gift to be raffled those will be welcome. It should be fun. More information to follow.

April 24 to April 30 2023: Tucson run. Bruce Looney informed us that this run is limited to 15 cars and he has that as of now, but this does not mean that you cannot sign up anymore, sometimes there are cancellations and you can be put on the waiting list. This is a 7-days run. The plan is to go to Laughlin, on the way to Tucson. Tombstone is on the Run. Still deciding on some places, planning a boat ride in Lake Havasu. An Email will be sent for the people that have signed up with more detailed information.

September 07- 10: Reno / Tahoe Tour: Cheryl Blackstone gave the Club some information about this upcoming event. Cheryl and Gerri are the Co-Chairs. So please start thinking about what you can help with. Sign-up sheets are coming up in January, and the plan is to have the Planning Meeting before the General Meeting at 5:00pm. You can come and hear about it and see what the plans are, or you can come and be involved in the planning, whatever you want to do it's fine. The first Planning Meeting will be on January 17 at 5:00pm. We are trying to incorporate the Club's 60th Anniversary and it was decided to call it "Reno / Tahoe Tour Corvettes of Fresno 60th Anniversary", so we do not commit ourselves to an annual event in case that things do not work out. The place is the Silver Legacy in Reno, and there will be things planned for the weekend, so keep it in mind.

Randy started general discussion regarding future runs/events. A brief summary follows:

Randy is now working on Nethercutt Museum sometime in April or May when the weather is more predictable. Randy shared some ideas for future runs. He is asked if anyone is interested on visiting some California Missions, maybe a 3-day cruise?

Randy also said that the Club is only as strong as the members who step forward to help things get done, and at our last Board Meeting, Sheri and Bruce had some great ideas about things to do. Sheri is looking to put together a group to help people that have never put together a run to be able to do it with Members' help.

Sheri explained that it is a lot of pressure for one person to plan all of the Runs, so what she will try to do is to ask some of the members to volunteer to put a Run to places that are their favorite place to go to, and any one of us are willing to help them to get that Run/Event accomplished. Don't be surprised if Sheri asks you to put a run (She already asked the President,) to do a President's Run. Maybe short dinner runs in the summer time, when it gets dark late.

Bruce Garlock talked about getting together once a month, maybe pick a place and if you decide to show up, then you show up. Just meet and eat. No sign up needed, but an estimate number of people attending will be needed.

Randy reminded the members that when they sign-up for a Run, to make sure that they will be attending, add it to your calendar. The organizers put a lot of work in making arrangement on making Hotel reservations, dinner reservations, etc. and when you have on the list for 15 cars and only 4 show up it becomes a problem for the organizers. We know that there are times when things happen and we cannot make the run, but inform the organizers as soon as you can.

Sheri Garlock wanted to make sure that we are aware that the Events / Runs are on COF's Facebook Group page. She said both Betsy and Ron Lindegren do a great job on keeping the information up to date.

(Thanks, Sheri, for your added assistance)

Allen Teixeira reminded us that the people that are putting the run should be calling to remind the participants the day before event.

Runs Revisited: No new pictures to share this month other than on back page.



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