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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.



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

WSCC Representative: Allen Teixeira

E-mail: representative@corvettesoffresno.com

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

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COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD
MEETINGS ARE CURRENTLY HELD VIA
ZOOM the Next Zoom Meeting to be held on
February 2, 2022
START TIME IS 6:30 PM

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

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRATEFULLY THANKS

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Chris Campbell for continuing to provide COF Webmaster Services.



PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



Well, we had our first meeting for 2022 and it seems to have run very smooth with a new President, Events Coordinator and Membership person. It was great to see all of you and plus 3 guests (prospective new members) Richard, Pete and Jim. I guess we did have a few members that could not attend due to a mild case of covid.

It looks like we have quite few activities planned for the early part of 2022 including the club event April 9th at the Quail Lake clubhouse. Randy has requested our members to come up with new ideas for club runs either day or weekend runs for the balance of 2022.

Our first run (26 cars signed up) for this year will be the Ice Breakers run with a rest stop at Casa de Fruta and then early lunch (11am) at Jardines Restaurant in San Juan Bautista and then a drive down Highway 1, a stop at Ragged Point to spread Shirley's ashes and then on to San Simeon Lodge and then a Valentine Day dinner at the San Simeon Lodge Restaurant that evening. There will be 4 menu options (Rib-eye steak, Chicken, Salmon and pasta veg dish) and will be contacting each

and every one on your choice. The price for the dinner includes coffee, iced tea, desert, tip and taxes. The group will be having dinner together in a separate dining area.

Save the Wave, Louis Biglieri, President



Corvettes of Fresno General Meeting Minutes January 18, 2022

Call to order: President Louis Biglieri called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. This was his first time presiding the General Meeting as President, and he asked for everyone to be kind to him. Board members present were: Louis Biglieri, Randy Forrester, Mokey Cowger, Cheryl Blackstone, Betsy Lindegren, Socorro Biglieri, Allen Teixeira, and Dave Trauger. Gerri Ware was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was shared by all.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last General Meeting dated November 16, 2021 were published in the December issue of the Fiberglass Forever Newsletter. A Motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Carol Trauger and seconded by Nancy Teixeira. Motion approved. A Motion to accept the minutes as distributed was made by Clay Mumby and seconded by Nancy Teixeira. Motion Approved.

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

General Account:

Deposits / Credits for December totaled - \$180.00

\$ 180.00 – Payments for 4 Christmas Party Tickets

Checks / Debits for December totaled – \$2,260.55

\$ 42.26 – Pardini's Restaurant for Christmas Party

108.41 - Cheryl Blackstone - Christmas Party Decoration

39.98 - Betsy Lindegren - Christmas Party Cake

34.95 - Chris Campbell - Int/Software for Oct. 2021

500.00 – Donation to Ronald McDonald House

500.00 – Donation to Nancy Hinds Hospice Center

500.00 – Donation to Marjaree Mason Center

500.00 - Donation to Fresno Food Bank

34.95 - Chris Campbell - Int/Software for Nov, 2021

Tahoe Account:

<u>Deposits / Credits</u> – October totaled - \$-0-<u>Checks / Debits</u> for August totaled - \$-0MOKEY COWGER
Treasurer

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Allen Teixeira and seconded by Lee Delap. Motion approved. *Please see Mokey Cowger for Balances on both accounts*.

Membership Report: See: p 7 Communications Report: See: p 8

Webmaster Report: Please see Communications Report.

WSCC Report: See: p 9

Sunshine Report See: pp 9 to 10 Activities Report: See: pp 11 to 13

New Business / Old Business:

The following two presentations should have been done during the Christmas Party, but the individual plaques were not ready at that time:

President Louis Biglieri presented the 2020 COF Member of the Year Award to Betsy Lindegren.

Past President, Dave Trauger thanked Betsy because she helped keep this club stay together thru the pandemic, her Communications Reports were always welcome every month.

Betsy thanked Ron, and mentioned that it was a team effort.



Louis Biglieri & Dave Trauger then presented the 2021 COF Members of the Year Award to Bruce and Sheri Garlock.

Louis Biglieri mentioned that at our "Run for the Hills" event, there were 4 cars with damaged tires, and if it was not for Bruce and Sheri we'd still be in South

Dakota.



Name Tag Drawing – reported under Membership Report, p. 7

50/25/25: Winners of \$46.25 each were: Sheri Garlock and Donnie Dukes.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carol Trauger and seconded by Clay Mumby. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

Sincerely Submitted by: Socorro Biglieri.

SOCORRO BIGLIERI
Secretary





CHERYL'S MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Cheryl Blackstone reported the following:

As of today, COF has ... 99 members and 71 cars.

2nd Vice President
MEMBERSHIP

Tonight's attendance is 37 members and three guests: Guests are: Jim Setrakian, Mitch Koligian, and Richard Martinez.

Cheryl Blackstone asked Jimmy and Jody Webb to tell the membership about their new Corvette; they have a new 2022 Rapid Blue C8. The car was finished being built a day before the devastating tornado in Kentucky, and it took almost two weeks to get clearance that it was not destroyed during the tornado. Lucky.

Cheryl informed the members that the Birthdays and Anniversaries are usually announced at this time, but it was decided at the January's Board meeting that Sunshine Representative, Gerri Ware will now announce them, so that her report is not always sad.

Following "New Business", Cheryl conducted the **Name Tag Drawing**: She announced that last month's winner was John Roger's, who was not present. **This month's drawing was worth \$50.00, and the winner was Lan Mumby who was present and wearing her nametag. CONGRATULATIONS LAN!**

February's Name Tag Drawing will be worth \$10.00.

A Message from



Communications

Betsy Lindegren reported that the January 2022 edition of Fiberglass Forever was published on December 31, 2021 and emailed to members. She hopes that everyone enjoyed it.



<u>BETSY LINDEGREN</u> Communications Director -Newsletter

The Board actually thought that we had a new member as a Webmaster, unfortunately, our volunteer had to back out due to health reasons, but we are very fortunate that Chris Campbell offered to continue on a temporary basis, he said he will be able to take care of things more quickly because he and Kay have moved to a location closer to work and he no longer has to commute 2 hours a day.

At this time the Board still continues to search for a permanent Webmaster, who has the experience, knowledge, and capabilities; maybe our volunteer will be able to assume this position when he is well???

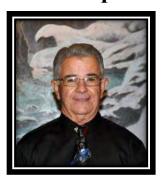
COF received a very nice "Thank you" note from Hinds Hospice thanking COF for the gift of \$500.00 that they received from the club.

Editor's Note:

Ron Lindegren thought you might all be interested in seeing a picture of the **permanent block onsite at Hinds Hospice** in recognition of our club's ongoing support for their organization,

Also, after the meeting we received another note of thanks, this time from Ronald McDonald House





WSCC Report: Allen Teixeira reported that there really isn't any new news. We are still involved. There have been a couple of new AutoXs. WSCC is planning to start up the Redline which is the magazine that is published by WSCC and has some very good articles and is kind of interesting to read the different kind of things that they are involved with. Keep an eye on the mail for it.

Sunshine Report: Gerri Ware was absent, so Cheryl Blackstone



reported the Sunshine Report: Cheryl spoke with Chuck Feccia tonight; Celia is doing OK, but she feels weak and just needs to build up her strength, but she is doing OK. Angie DiLiddo, is in a 5 Star assisted living facility, and Cheryl has her address if anyone wants to send her a note. Elsa Pond's mother passed away a few days before Christmas and a Sympathy card was sent to

her and Buddy from all of us. Ron Mattos passed away earlier this

month; a Sympathy card was sent to his wife Pat. Birthdays and Anniversaries for the month of January were announced.

Editor's Note: February Birthdays and Anniversaries ARE LISTED ON PAGE 10:



"Sorry, these aren't for you. They're for my Corvette. It's our one year anniversary together."

February Birthdays



Christine Sahatdjian – 2 Jody Webb – 4 Kevin Smith – 5 Harry Bellow – 6 Lisa Cooksey – 7 Kay Linch – 7 Dennis Christiansen – 9 Cindy Kochevar – 16 Kelly Ashley – 21 Frank Stafford – 21

<u>February</u> <u>Anniversaries</u>

John & Cece Karlie – 3 Dave & Carol Trauger - 6





RANDY'S ACTIVITIES REPORT

This was Randy Forrester's first meeting as Activities Director;

Randy informed members that he wants to know what kinds of runs the members want to do. There will be a survey sheet on the sign-up table with different run suggestions, just mark which runs you might like to do, you do not have to write your name.



RANDY FORRESTER
1st Vice President
EVENTS

Randy reported the following:

Upcoming Meetings:

February 2, 2022 Board Meeting via Zoom starts at 6:30 p.m. All Club Members welcome to attend, contact Betsy Lindegren at: to request Link newsletter@corvettesoffresno.com

February 16, 2022 General Membership Meeting will be at Yosemite Falls Café – Granite Park, Fresno, CA starts 7 p.m.

Please arrive at least an hour early if planning on eating. Guests Welcome – if planning to attend, contact VP Membership at: membership@corvettesoffresno.com

Past Activities (already featured in January 2022 Fiberglass Forever)

December 4, 2022 Sanger Christmas Parade: Lee Delap thanked everyone that participated at the Sanger Christmas Parade, and thanked Lee Blackstone for coordinating the meeting place. This parade had the largest number of entries and the largest estimated crowd in history.

Past Activities – continued

December 4, 2022 COF Christmas party; great party, food and friends. Thank you to Betsy, Gerri and Cheryl for all of your work. The centerpieces were beautiful, the food and the cake were delicious. Ready for next year. Chuck Feccia reiterated that it was a great Christmas party.

Editor's Note: Thank You Socorro for helping cover the reception desk 😊



Future Activities: Please refer to the Calendar of Events on the Club's website at www.corvettesoffresno.com and select "Upcoming Events" link for more detailed information, or call event host.

February 12: Ice Breaker Run hosted by Louis Biglieri. Meet at 8:00am on Avenue 7 and leave at 8:30, drive to Casa de Frutas for a break and continue to San Juan Bautista for lunch at 11:00am at "Jardines de San Juan" Mexican restaurant, parking may be difficult. After lunch we will continue to Highway 101 to the 156, and then to the 1. Drive to San Simeon stopping at Ragged Point. Since there are not too many restaurants we will have dinner at the hotel's restaurant, and we will have the bar and karaoke after dinner. And maybe Hearst Castle may be open by then.

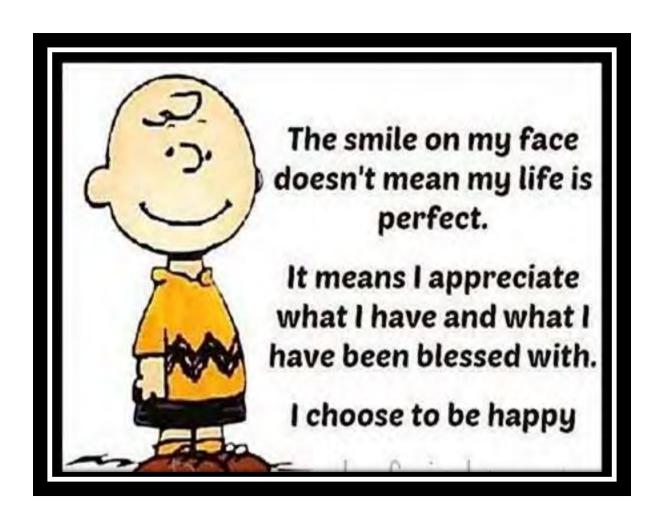
March 12: Visalia Breakfast Lions Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Louis Biglieri is the coordinator, the plan is that after the parade we will go to lunch at the Vintage Press, and Louis will have desert for the participants at his home. This parade is a tradition in Visalia. Sign-up sheet is on the table, and if you have any questions, please see Louie.

April 09: COF Picnic, hosted by the Board. Sign-up sheet is not available yet, but it will be next month. The place to be is the Club House at Quail Lakes

May 18-21: Santa Maria Run, 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

July 14-17: Southern Oregon Corvette Association at Grant's Pass Oregon, this is the Grant's Pass Oregon Run, it includes a jet boat ride on the Rogue River, and a fun, fun Run. Leave on Thursday July 14 and it ends on the 17: However, if you want to continue on, Lee & Cheryl are adding another 7 days run after that. It will be from Grant's Pass to the Oregon Coast. This Run will be open to more than 15 cars, so if need to, we may have more than one caravan.

July 17-24: Oregon Continuation Run hosted by Lee and Cheryl Blackstone. Cheryl Blackstone presented to the membership the itinerary, and said that all the hotels have been confirmed. Cheryl gave each of the participants that are signed up for the event a copy of it. If you want to participate, and do not want to do the SOCA run you can meet us there, you don't have to do both. We are hoping that everyone has fun. If you decide to do this trip, make sure that you sign-up.





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