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



## **CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC 2021 CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

**President:** Louis Biglieri  
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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 January 5th  
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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# PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST

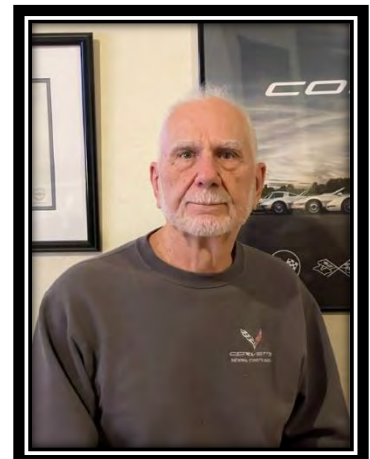


As your incoming president for 2022 I hope that I can continue the excellent progress that our outgoing president (Dave Trauger) did the last 3 years and also previous presidents. Also, I would like to thank:

- Our Events Director, Lee Blackstone, who did an amazing job during the 3 years especially during the pandemic encouraging our members to keep putting together runs and including “run to the hills”, the run Lee and Cheryl put together last summer; and
- Our Membership Director, Ron Lindegren for maintaining and adding more new members this last 3 years than ever before; and
- Our Communication Director. Betsy Lindegren who is doing an outstanding job of putting together the newsletter each month; and last but not least,
- Thumbs up to Socorro Biglieri, Mokey Cowger, Allen Teixeira and Gerri Ware for continuing on in their respective Board positions for another year.

Now on another note, if you know someone with a corvette that is not a club member, please consider inviting them to our January 18<sup>th</sup> General Meeting to see what we are all about. Also, our first Board Meeting on January 5<sup>th</sup> will be a zoom meeting starting at 6:30 pm and current club members are invited to zoom in. We hope to discuss upcoming events for 2022.

Thanks, your President  
**Louis Biglieri**



# A Message from Communications

Since there was no General Meeting in December, we do not have Meeting Minutes nor Officer Reports for the January Newsletter.

So, I am taking this opportunity to share with you some fun events that have taken place since our last General Meeting which was held on November 16. 2021.



**BETSY LINDEGREN**  
Communications  
Director -  
NEWSLETTER

**But first, we must all send ... *“Best Wishes”* to COF Members with JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Pam Forrester – 3

Joe Beck - 16

Bob Reinke – 3

Cece Karlie – 17

Lan Mumby – 6

John Rogers – 20

Bruce Looney – 7

Lawrence Coelho – 26

Nancy Teixeira - 15

Cheryl Blackstone – 28

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Jimmy & Jody Webb – 22

Allen & Nancy Teixeira - 31



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## Corvettes of Fresno 2021 Donations



On November 16, 2021, COF general membership authorized donation of \$2,000 from our general funds. These donations took the form of \$500 checks made out to the following four 501 c3 Charities:

- Nancy Hines Hospice
- Marjaree Mason Center
- Ronald McDonald House
- Central California Food Bank (*previous newsletter erroneously reported this donation as going to Fresno Food Bank*)

The checks were happily received at all four locations on December 10<sup>th</sup>, delivered by outgoing President Dave Trauger, incoming President Louis Biglieri, and Secretary Socorro Biglieri.



## **December 4<sup>th</sup> Sanger's Christmas Tree City Toyland Parade**



**Editor's Note: COF was proud to include members of the Central Valley Corvettes as part of our run to this annual event.**

The Sanger District Chamber of Commerce serves the City of Sanger and surrounding Community inside the 185 square mile area of Sanger Unified School District. Sanger is the Nation's Christmas Tree City and known for its Leadership Role coordinating the Annual Trek to the Nation's Christmas Tree, the General Grant Tree in Kings Canyon National Park

The General Grant Tree is also the only living National Shrine dedicated to Veterans who died as dedicated by Admiral Nimitz, representing President Eisenhower in 1956.

This year was the 96th Trek to the Nation's Christmas Tree held December 12th. The Sanger Chamber also coordinates the Sanger Nation's Christmas Tree City Toyland Parade held each December. 2021 was a special year since the Parade was not held in 2020 due to Covid restrictions. Therefore in 2021, the Chamber held its Annual Awards Banquet in July, honoring two years of outstanding Community Leaders.

These honorees are not only recognized at the Awards Banquet, but also are the core of dignitaries "Paraded in front of their Community" at the Toyland Parade in December. This year (2021) the estimated attendees exceeded 10,000; over all prior years, with entries at another record.

The honorees are from education, public safety and other fields and are able to enjoy the Parade in a class ride, coordinated and/or provide by Corvettes of Fresno. As one example, one of this year's Hall of Fame honorees was able to ride past her Community Peers, not only as the honoree, but did so in a 2022 Corvette, enhancing the experience that will never happen again in her lifetime.

The recipient I asked, is but one story, she felt extremely special for the event that will never happen again, in her lifetime. She was not just honored, but you guys enhanced the experience to each and every honoree, plus the audience!

**This is my humble attempt to describe the value added by Corvettes of Fresno. You guys are awesome.**

**Lee Delap, Chairman - Board of Directors, Sanger District Chamber of Commerce**

**“THANK YOU LEE, WE TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS IN MAKING THIS HAPPEN EACH YEAR”**



## **December 4<sup>th</sup> Corvettes of Fresno Christmas Party**

A RECORD BREAKING “76” ATTENDEES ENJOYED OUR 2021 CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD AT PARDINI’S

2021 CHRISTMAS PARTY COMMITTEE:



**Geri Ware, Socorro Biglieri, Cheryl Blackstone, Betsy Lindegren**

**Our Evening started with “no host” Cocktail hour at 6 p.m.**

**Shortly before dinner was to be served, attendees were asked to find their seats.**

**Outgoing President Dave Trauger then explained that he had the honor of making two Member of the Year awards: one for 2021 which is shared by Bruce & Shari Garlock, and one for 2020 awarded to Betsy Lindegren. Pictured Here →**



And then, Dinner was served







**Followed by Dessert...**



**Then ...**

**On behalf of the entire club, incoming President Louis Biglieri awards outgoing President Dave Trauger a beautiful custom plaque (yes, that's Dave holding it up) in honor of his unprecedented three consecutive years as Corvettes of Fresno President.**



**Formal activities drew to a close with a vote to “acquit” Allen Teixeira from receiving the U-Turn Award based on his eloquent self-defense.**



A Special **“Thank You” to Chuck Ware** for stepping in at the last minute and providing music both during our meal and serving as DJ for the dancing following dessert and program...You did GREAT!

Everyone sent AILING Mokey Cowger love and get well wishes.

Editor’s Note: **As of this print Mokey is doing fine!**

And a big **“Thank You” to Cheryl Blackstone** who made the beautiful centerpieces that adorned each table. These served as a gift to one lucky person at each table...you just had to be sitting in the right chair.



This truly was a party planned and executed by Committee ...**THANK YOU Socorro Biglieri, Cheryl Blackstone, Betsy Lindegren, Geri Ware; and THANKS to Everyone Attending... YOU made this a Wonderful Evening!**



## **Our next adventure is just around the corner,**

### **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 Doshier 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 discount 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.

**and lots more is coming up!**

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## Upcoming Runs continued:

**May 18-21, 2022:** 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 but then, they grow a lot of commercial flowers for seed, and we will have picnic outside of Lompoc. That afternoon we will tour the “Purissima 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.

**July 17-24, 2022:** 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.

Looks like we need some day runs .... Let Randy know if you want to help put one on 😊



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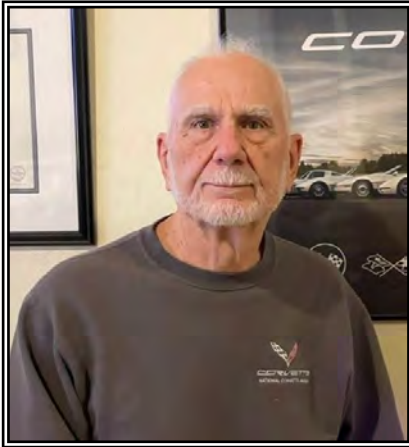
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# Wishing Everyone a Happy New Year

## From your 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Louis Biglieri**



**President**

**Randy Forrester**



**1st Vice Pres. - Activities**

**Cheryl Blackstone**



**2nd Vice Pres. - Membership**

**Socorro Biglieri**



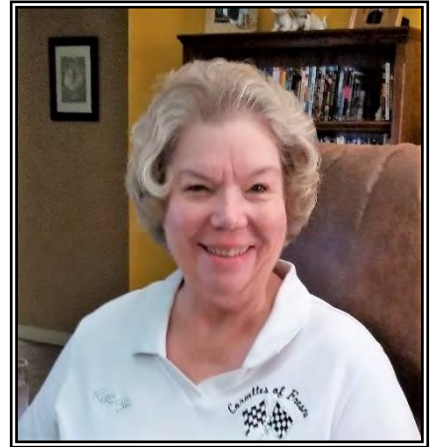
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**Treasurer**

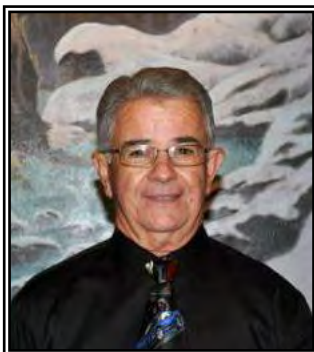
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### **Board Appointed Officers**

**WSCC Rep**



**Allen Teixeira**

**Sunshine Rep.**



**Gerri Ware**

**Past  
President**



**Dave Trauger**

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## **CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC** **January 2022 Edition**



**2022 Hypersonic Grey C-8 HTC Owners: John & Cece Karlie**