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## **CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC**

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### **“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 2023 CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

**President:** Louis Biglieri  
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### **COF BOARD MEETING NOTICE**

Unless otherwise notified,  
**CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM.**  
the Next Board Meeting is scheduled for  
January 4, 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** is actively working to find a permanent Replacement for our Long Time Webmaster and  
**GRATEFULLY THANKS ...**

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



# PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



**I want to congratulate Lee & Cheryl Blackstone upon their being named “2022 Corvettes of Fresno Members of the Year” ... I was honored to be able to announce this award at our December 3<sup>rd</sup> Christmas Party.**



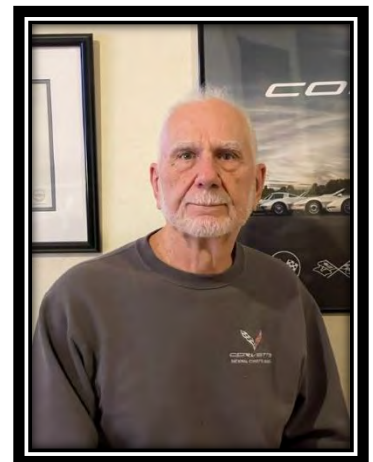
If you have been following Corvettes of Fresno Facebook page for the last couple of months, members Ron, Betsy and Sherri have been posting our club activities for 2023 and other events of interest. This is another way of keeping us all connected. I am hoping more of our members will join the Corvettes of Fresno Facebook Group that way they can keep updated of our COF activities. Also, I am hoping more of you will be contacting our Event Director (Randy Forrester) with your ideas for putting on club events thru the year. Please check our COF web site, emails, and newsletters for the events that are already being planned for 2023.

Now for 2023 news update:

- The Board was informed by Chris Campbell that he will no longer be servicing our web site/page, so what this means we will need to look for someone (preferably one of our members) to take over keeping our web site up to date with COF news including runs, photos, and the monthly newsletter. In case no one comes forward, we will be contacting various outside web companies, as backup, to receive bids and hope to be discussing all this at the next zoom board meeting on Jan 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.
- The Board finalized wording of proposed Bylaws Amendments (See Page 4) to be voted on at our January 2022 General Membership Meeting.

Happy New Years and may we all stay healthy!

Save the wave,  
President, Louis Biglieri





**Corvettes of Fresno**  
**Official Notice of two (2) Proposed By-Law Changes**  
**To be Voted on at January 17, 2023 General Membership Meeting**

**1. Article V – Officers, Section 1 – General**

It is proposed By the Board of Directors to **eliminate the last sentence of Section 1 of Article V**. The last sentence currently reads,

“If a Corvettes of Fresno member is an active member of another local Fresno County Corvette Club, they may not hold an office on the Board of Directors of Corvettes of Fresno”.

**The By-Law change would eliminate that restriction, and allow people holding dual membership to be elected to the Board of Directors of Corvettes of Fresno.**

**2. Article IV, Paragraph 5**

It is proposed by the Board of Directors to **clarify the language of the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph, which currently reads,**

“After the September Meeting, membership shall be cancelled if dues are not paid. Individuals who have had their membership cancelled must pay the original dues plus a late fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00), with six dollars (\$6.00) going to the parent organization and fourteen dollars (\$14.00) going to Corvettes of Fresno. They shall be considered members on the day that total payment is made”.

**The current paragraph would be replaced with,**

“After the September General Meeting, Membership shall be cancelled if dues are not paid. Individuals who have had their membership cancelled must pay the original dues, a late fee of **\$20.00**, plus any additional costs that have been incurred, e.g., reinstatement charges from parent organization. These amounts must be paid by the member before regaining good standing membership. They shall be considered members on the day that total payment is made”.

**The By-Law change would allow club to retain current late fee of \$20.00 and would require members to also pay for any additional costs incurred by the club to reinstate them, e.g., reinstatement fees from parent organization.**

## 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 15, 2022.



**BETSY LINDEGREN**  
Communications  
Director -  
NEWSLETTER

**First, we must all send ... *“Best Wishes” to COF Members with  
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS***



**Pam Forrester – 3  
Lan Mumby – 6  
Bruce Looney – 7  
Nancy Teixeira – 8  
Cece Karlie – 17  
Lawrence Coelho – 26  
Cheryl Blackstone - 28**

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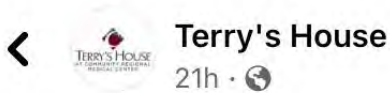
**JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

**Jimmy & Jody Webb - 22  
Allen & Nancy Teixeira - 31**



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## Corvettes of Fresno 2022 Donations



This wonderful donation just arrived from the Corvettes of Fresno, Inc. courtesy of their annual Corvette Club Picnic this month!

The raffle was in honor of Jacki and Copper Johnson who stayed with us when their daughter Vivianne was hospitalized for two months in 2018 after her birth at CRMC.

THANK YOU Mitch Koligian (Vivianne's great grandfather) and the entire Club for helping give more families the opportunity to stay at Terry's House!



During 2022 at our April Club Picnic we collected \$1,500.00 by raffling a 2 day/overnight stay at Mitch Koligian's home on the coast.

Allen & Nancy Teixeira were the lucky winners of the Prize, but the real winner was "Terry's House" who received funds as a 501c3 charitable donation on April 20<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Mitch is once again offering his coastal home at our upcoming 2023 Club Picnic to be held at Quail Lakes Clubhouse on...

March 25, 2023

So be sure to

Save the Date

**Due to the unanticipated costs of rejoining NCCC as our parent club, the Board of Directors decided during their December meeting to not request authorization for expenditure of club funds for any other charitable donations in 2022.**



## **December 3rd Sanger's Christmas Tree City Toyland Parade**

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.

**Corvettes of Fresno participated in the 74th Annual Nation's Christmas Tree City Toyland Parade! Parade route began at 12th and Academy and went through Downtown Sanger!**

**“THANK YOU LEE DELAP,**

**WE TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS IN MAKING THIS HAPPEN EACH YEAR”**



**Sanger Educator of the Year, Dawn Pearson & Sanger Citizen of the Year, Pastor Gilbert Carrisalez  
With their Drivers**

(Photos courtesy of The Sanger Scene/ [www.thesangerscene.com](http://www.thesangerscene.com))

## **December 3rd Corvettes of Fresno Christmas Party**

**2022 CHRISTMAS PARTY COMMITTEE:**



**Jan Pflipsen, Cheryl Blackstone, Nancy Teixeira, Gerri Ware, Elsa Pond**

**Our Evening started with “no host” Cocktail hour at 6 p.m. during which we enjoyed the “guitar stylings” of Nina Gagnebin’s friend & guitar teacher, pictured here with his wife.**



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



**President Louis Biglieri then announced that the Board unanimously selected two...**

**2022 Members of the Year**

**Congratulations: Lee and Cheryl Blackstone**

**He presented them with a plaque to commemorate this honor, stating their names would also be added onto the Club’s Larger plaque containing the names of all past honorees.**



**And then, Dinner was served...**



## **Followed by Dessert...**

**The lanterns which decorated all the tables were also for sale...hope you were able to buy the one you wanted 😊**



**Then ...**



**We were all highly and happily entertained by our own Jim Setrakian “Mr. Magic”, ably assisted by Lisa Chaney “Miss Direction” and with great audience participation adding to our enjoyment.**

**As the Program drew to a close, Mokey Cowger took the DJ seat providing music for our listening and dancing pleasure till the Party’s end.**



**Thank You one and all for helping to make this  
A Wonderful Evening & Great Event to Celebrate Christmas!**





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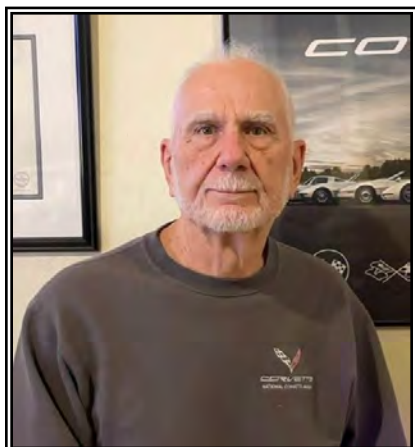
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CORVETTES OF FRESNO, INC

January 2023 Edition

***“HAPPY NEW YEAR”***

FROM YOUR 2023 CORVETTES OF FRESNO BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**Louis Biglieri**  
President



**Randy Forrester**  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. - Activities



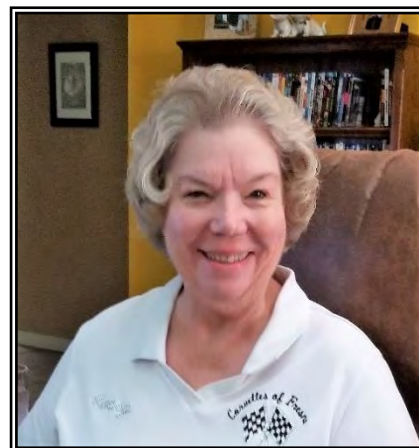
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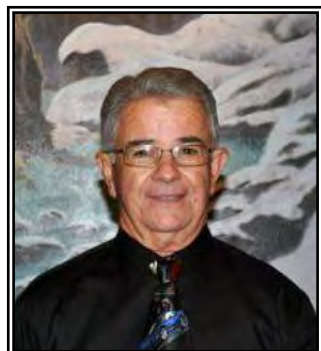
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