



**October Communications Report
October 30, 2020**

A MESSAGE FROM COF PRESIDENT, DAVE TRAUGER

Well, friends, I hope we are coming to a point where all this insanity is over. The election is almost here, so all the political posturing will be over for a couple of months until we start into the 2022 cycle. Unbeknownst to our elected masters, most of us do know how to protect ourselves and our loved ones from COVID or the flu.

Louis Biglieri is working on the Ice Breaker and the Blackstone's are working on a trip to the Northern tier of states. I have heard rumors of a couple of other runs being planned so we can get back together for socializing and having fun with our wonderful group of friends.

I really miss seeing you and we will probably have to wear big name tags until our memories catch up with names and faces. I owe a big Thank You to Betsy for keeping us in touch with one another and also for covering for me the last couple of months when I had nothing in particular to say.

Still Missing You, and wishing the very best for us all.

Love and care, Dave Trauger

"Save the Wave"

Betsy Lindegren (Communications – Newsletter)

During the October 7th COF Board Meeting the following actions were taken:

- Approved prior meeting minutes
- Approved Treasurer's Report of Finances for both General & Tahoe Accounts and routine expenditures
- Received and accepted all Officer Reports

- Decided the November COF Board Meeting will be done via Zoom on November 4th starting 6:30 p.m.
Agreed to hold a ZOOM COF General Meeting on October 13th 7 p.m. **[Editor's Note: See Attachment A for 10/13/2020 Meeting Minutes]**
- Asked Mokey to follow up with Chris Campbell regarding process needed for renewal of website domain name and to advise Chris that the Board is very grateful for his volunteering to continue to maintain the Club's website and happy to accept that offer.
- Asked Betsy to canvas membership to determine who would attend a Christmas Party if one is able to be scheduled for December 5th.
- Authorized Lee to move forward with the planning for a 10-day run in 2021.

Sending you Hugs and Well Wishes, Betsy Lindegren

Ron Lindegren (VP – Membership) Ron Lindegren reported that the Club has 98 members and 68 cars; no General Meeting means no drawings. There were no inquiries about membership to the club. He is waiting for all membership renewal returns for further updates to Members information. Again, no in person general meetings so no name tag drawing: It will remain at the \$20.00.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Allen Teixeira 5 – Judi Reinke 6 – Sheri Garlock – 7

Jill Kuykendall 11 – Nina Gagnebin 17 – Don Dukes 17

Bill Sahatdjian 17 – Pat Williams 19 – Shirley Doshier 30



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

There are no Club Members with Wedding Anniversaries in the month November

Sending Well Wishes to all! Ron Lindegren

Lee Blackstone (VP – Activities)

Lee wanted to get the bad stuff out of the way first, it looks that the only thing on the books for now is the Christmas party but, and it looks like Fresno may go back to the “Purple” tier within the week and that will give us more information to work for, maybe we will have more information at the General Meeting and go from there and then make a decision by next Board meeting. Betsy suggested that we ask the members if they are willing to attend the event before going any further and was asked to follow up.

Now, for the good news; Lee is working on 10 days excursion to Mount Rushmore, June 17 thru June 27. Lee described the trip day by day, including day activities and going by the back roads if possible. One of the stops is Cook city, Montana, where the Grizzly bears population is greater than the human population. Because of the time and distance, it will be open to 12 – 15 cars and the daily drive will not be more than 500 miles. If the Board approves the run it will be presented to all members at our next Zoom General meeting. The Board approved the run; Lee will now start calling hotels and trying to get all the details. Lee suggested that reservations be made before the end of the year.

Until then, stay safe! Lee Blackstone

{Editor’s Note: See Appendix B for Lee’s updated Activities Report from October 29th.}

Allen Teixeira (WSCC Representative) spoke about our WSCC President, Buzz Marston who passed away recently. Buzz has been an integral part of WSCC for many years and will be greatly missed. Allen added that he has confidence in the incoming President.

Allen has forwarded to Dave a copy of WSCC’s letter informing us that the fee charged for members annually is now going up from \$25.00 to \$35.00, this increased cost to our Club will be partially offset by WSCC paying all our Club Directors and Officers liability insurance.

Allen also sent a proxy stating that if he is not able to be their meetings that the President of the club can make a decision on behalf of himself and the Club’s. Not much going at WSCC for now.

Here’s hoping we will all be together soon! Allen Teixeira

Gerri Ware (Sunshine Representative)

(Editor's Note: I have combined Gerri's report from earlier in the month to her most recent emailed report)

Gerri sent a sympathy card to Ruth Marston for Buzz's passing.

Gerri reported that Dave Cavanaugh told her that Terry is progressively going down, she is on a walker now, but she is a very strong woman and keeps trying her best; she still wants us to be involved with us, and want to hear from us and keep them involved with the group.

Bert's surgery was postponed to October 19, he was also playing with his grandson and thinks that he broke one of his ribs; overall, he is very anxious and just wants the surgery done. Bert had cancer surgery Oct. 20th. A get-well card was sent. I will follow up with Bert in a few days.

Larry Dami who used to be a member of our club passed away. A sympathy card was sent.

Gerri contacted Angie and Nick, Angie told Gerry that Nick wants to go back to the gym, but Angie does not want him to, they are basically about the same. During our October General Meeting, Nick informed us that Angie couldn't hardly walk, and fell. They called the ambulance and ended up being a bad kidney infection. A card will be sent to her.

Dave informed us that Carol is doing good, and she is going to therapy three times a week, Carol's doctor wants her to get her mobility up to 95% of what she had before.

With deepest sympathy to the Cooksey family who just lost a family member. A card will be sent.

Talked to Dennis Christiansen who informed me he just had Cancer surgery and is waiting to hear what comes after surgery. A Get Well Card was sent to Dennis.

Congratulations to Phil Cooksey and a John Karlie! They are both retiring.

That's it for now...Stay healthy and remember to wash your hands...Gerri Ware

ATTACHMENT A
Corvette of Fresno General Meeting Minutes

October 20,2020

Call to Order: President Dave Trauger called the meeting to order @7:00PM. This was the Club's second virtual meeting via Zoom, and it was well attended thank you all that joined and special Thanks for Betsy and Ron Lindegren for making this happen. Board members present were Dave Trauger, Lee Blackstone, Ron Lindegren, Betsy Lindegren, Mokey Cowger, Socorro Biglieri, Allen Teixeira, Gerri Ware and Chuck Ware. Board member absent was Chris Campbell. Then Pledge of Allegiance was shared by all.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of our last General Meeting on September 15, 2020 were published in the Communication Report for September. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Louis Biglieri and seconded by Lee Blackstone. Motion approved. A motion to accept the Minutes as printed was made by Ron Lindegren and seconded by Betsy Lindegren. Motion Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Mokey Cowger reported the balances and activity for both the General and Tahoe accounts as of September 30, 2020. Deposits made on the **General account** were a total of \$3,258.00 for dues payment received for 63 members. There were no checks written for September -0-. There were no deposits or checks written on the **Tahoe account**. *Please see Mokey Cowger for the Balance on both accounts.* Mokey also stated that 73 members have paid, 11 members that have not paid and there are 4 members who have elected to not renew. Mokey read the names of the members with dues outstanding. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Socorro Biglieri and seconded by Ron Lindegren. Motion approved.

Membership: Ron Lindegren reported that as of this date Corvettes of Fresno has 98 members and 68 corvettes. Tonight's attendance we have 32 members Guests: None. And as stated previously the Name Tag Drawing will resume when we meet in person again. Birthdays and Anniversaries were acknowledged.

Communications Report: Betsy Lindegren informed the members that she emailed them the September's Communication Report on 09/29 and hard copies were mailed to members without an email address. The Report is still not on our Website. In reply to the Christmas Party survey she had 57 responses; 39 – Yes / 18 No. After much discussion and asking the Members input it was decided that a final decision be made by the Board at the Next Board meeting. **Betsy and Ron** will be out of town at the next date of the General meeting so she **asked that the meeting be moved to November 10th**, a motion was made by Lee Blackstone and seconded by Socorro Biglieri to move the next General Meeting to November 10th. Motion approved.

Webmaster Report: Chris Campbell was absent so there was no report.

Activities Report: Please refer to Attachment B of this Communications Report for more details and up to date information. Lee reiterated again, that the Christmas Party is still up and the air and hopefully a decision will be made soon. He is hoping that maybe by next year we can start the planning a day run here and there, and asked Louis Biglieri if he can start planning the Ice Breaker Run. Maybe we will know more after the election. Lee announced that he is planning a 10-day trip next year from June 17 to June 27; he is opening it to the first 15 cars, the trip destinations include Mount Rushmore and Yellowstone National Park. The average price for the hotel will be approximately \$155.00. Lee described the activities for every day. Firm commitment needs to be made by January. Lee Delap announced that the Sanger's Christmas Parade may be on, but it will be a Parking display, and the audience will drive by. The organizers are very interested on our participation and Lee Blackstone will be setting a virtual sign up list.

WSCC: Allen reported that the insurance fee for WSCC members will be now \$35.00, however Officers and Directors insurance will be covered by WSCC. He requested a list of every member and their information so that it can be sent to WSCC, by the end of November. Ron is working on it, and he said that most of this information is on file now. He has done a "whole lot of fixing" lately. Please see WSCC section for more information.

Sunshine Report: Gerri Ware reported the following: A sympathy card was sent to Buzz Marston's wife Ruth. Larry Dami passed away and a sympathy card was sent to his family. Dave Cavanaugh said that Terry is holding her own but she is now using her walker. Bert's surgery was yesterday; and Carol Trauger is holding her own as she undergoes physical therapy. Gerri also informed the members that she found out that Dennis Christian has bladder cancer and had surgery already, a card was sent.

New Business / Old Business: Lee Delap reminded everyone about the Virtual Veteran's Day Parade, our Club was filmed on September 11, Lee will also be with the Sanger VFW and they were filmed on September 19th. This will be televised worldwide on every Military Installations. Locally, it will be aired on Channel 24 at 11:00AM.

Holding the Tradition. Buddy Pond informed the members that he and Chuck Ware have a potential new member and asked for directions on what to do. It was suggested that he be invited to our next Zoom meeting and Betsy Lindegren asked that both she and Ron be given contact information for the potential new member so that he can be invited to attend our next Zoom meeting and Ron can send him the forms packet usually given to prospective members when they attend in person meetings. Dave Trauger informed the members that the Traugers and the Biglieris took a ride to the oldest saloon in California in Grove Land, Ca. good food but we have to re think

this route because highway 49 is little too windy. Betsy asked that we all say “hi” to some late comers to the meeting:

Nick DiLiddo; he said that they are hanging on and that Angie took a fall this weekend; he took her to Clovis Hospital, and she complained enough that she was sent home the same day; she is hanging in there and trying to get herself up to speed so that she can go to the Coast this weekend.

Phil Cooksey [who had his video turned off] said that he did not comb his hair and that is why he did not want us to see him. He said that they are doing good and trying to spend more time with his father in law trying to console him, because his mother in law just passed away; he asked for our thoughts and prayers, and he definitely got this from the group.

There being no further Business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nick DiLiddo and seconded by Louis Biglieri. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:54PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Socorro Biglieri.

ATTACHMENT B – Lee Blackstone’s Updated Events Report

The Big Question Mark!?!?

It is difficult to plan any events with any certainty with so many future plans up in the air.

So, here is where we stand.

1. The COF Annual Christmas Party. We have been kicking this can down the road for 7 months now. The board has decided to make a final decision on Wednesday the 4th at our Zoom meeting. Fresno County is still in the “Red” restrictions and this will be another question mark. We will be in contact with Pardini’s and have an answer on the status of the party currently scheduled for December 5th. Stay tuned!
2. The Sanger Christmas Tree Parade. Lee Delap has been contacted by the Sanger Chamber of Commerce about a “reverse” parade on Saturday December 5th. The meaning of “reverse” is the cars, floats, bands and other entries will be stationary with the parade attendants walking by the participants. We are not sure yet of the status of this event as well. Stay tuned!
3. Ice Breaker Run. Tentatively scheduled for January 23-24 2021. Louis Biglieri is currently in contact with possible meeting places and lodging for this possible run. Stay Tuned!
4. Run to the Hills (Black Hills South Dakota) Unless we are on a national lock down, this run should take place June 17th to 27th. We are currently filled with the first 15 Corvettes and 4 on the waiting list. Just shows we are ready to get over this quarantine.

That’s all we know for now. Please keep your eyes open for Betsy’s future updates as she is doing a wonderful job as Communications director!

Thank you,

Lee Blackstone

VP- Activities