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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Glinda Pareso

DECEMBER 2023

Our Officers and Board Members would like to tell each of you how much we appreciate everything you, "Our Members", do for our club. Your generosity and hard work are very much appreciated. We have had an amazing 2023 and look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year for 2024.

I would like to say thank you to our Officers and Board Members who serve and support the club. Thank you for your hard work and organizing each of the events for our club. I would like to thank each of you for your leadership, your ideas, and your dedication to taking the Tri-City Corvette Club to new heights.



December's Meeting: The Tri-City Corvette Club (TCCC) monthly meeting was held at Walk On's on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, and we hosted our Christmas Gathering. Thank you John & Mona for hosting the Gift Exchange. We had a good time and enjoyed everyone's friendship. Also, Thank you Pat for the wonderful display of desserts enjoyed by everyone.

We also collected lots of toys for two events Tri-City Corvette Club sponsored:

The Buckners Angel Tag and the KFDM/Fox 4, Toy Feast Drive.

Our members are awesome! We took on 41 Angel Tags for the Buckners Foster Children wish list and each tag had two gifts listed for each foster child. So, we collected 81 toys and gifts to sponsor 41 kids. I appreciate all our members who supported in the Buckner Angel Tag Project. The foster children will be thrilled when they see their presents for Christmas. Thank You!

Also, thank you to the members who brought toys for the children to support the KFDM/Fox 4 Toy Feast Drive that was held on Friday, December 8, 2023. We had 14 corvettes that had trunk loads full of toys to deliver to the Toy Feast Drive. Plus, the \$100 donation many of our members donated to the Toy Feast Drive to help raise funds. The members who donated received an Ugly Mug honoring Dan Gresham who served 37 years on the air for KFDM/Fox 4.

All the toys we collected will provide children gifts for Christmas and just think of the smile the kids will have on their face and in their hearts when they see the Christmas gifts we donated. Thank you to each of you for your generosity for all the toys that were donated.

Note of Thanks: We just wanted to say thank you to Shawn & Misha Bruno, we appreciate you both so much for hosting Bruno & George Winery Annual Bonfire for the last 24 years and having the Bonfire for the last 19 years.

(President's Message continued)

Also, thank you for opening your winery up to the Tri-City Corvette Club and hosting a Wine Tasting Event for us. We appreciate you both. Thanks again.

To the Members:

Our next general membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, eat & socialize at 6PM and meeting is at 7pm. The meeting location to be determined.

Also, please keep those members who are going through hard times, those who are fighting cancer or illness, and those who are having family struggles in our prayers. May the Lord be with each of these members and give them strength to overcome and to be healed and well again. If any member needs anything, please contact me or one of our Officers or Board Members and we will be glad to assist or help in any manner.

Have a Merry Christmas and enjoy the time with your family and friends.

Also, we would like to wish you all a Happy New Year!

We look forward to seeing each of you in the New Year of 2024.

A Sincere Thank You,

Glinda Pareso

President

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VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

December 2023 Meeting

John Berry

Wow! What a great time at Walk-Ons we had as it was a full house with Angel tags, gift exchanges and candy from Pat McCullor.

I want to wish all club members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and remember what the season means to us all, the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Enjoy your family and friends during this holiday season and be safe!

Prayers & Thoughts:

Please keep Lance Coleman in your prayers, which is the son of members Dan & Tammy Coleman as he continues to recover. God Bless!

Activities:

We have a few events for December so check out the Events' page and find one to participate in.

Congratulations to David Dominguez for December Member of The Month and well-deserved sir! Thank you for your generosity and being a supporting club supporter and helping other members.



Birthdays: . Dwight Courts, Brenda Nichols, Irene Barbosa, Melinda Royer, Shawn Bruno, Cathy Long, Karen Cauthen, Beverly Broussard, and Joe Vargas. **Happy Birthday to you Corvetters!**

Anniversaries:

Michelle & Ken Dollinger (9 years)

Andrea & Glenn Johnson (34 years)

Bobbi & Rod Johnstone (48 years)

Kathy & Ronnie Woods (52 years)

Happy Anniversary!!!

Thank you all and have a great month.

John Berry

TCCC, Vice President

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NOVEMBER 25, 2023



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November 18

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NOVEMBER 19, 2023



Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2023

PRESIDENT GLINDA PARESO

President, Glinda Pareso called the meeting to order and John Decker offered the opening prayer. The membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Glinda stated that we had 59 members and one guest present. Paula Jo Miller was present and has satisfied the criteria for membership. Glinda asked for a vote to accept her as a member and the vote was unanimous. Congratulations new member, Paula Jo. Glinda pointed out that we had a donation canister for Southeast Texas Food Bank and thanked everyone who had filled the requests on angel tags for Buckner's Children's Home. She asked that the gifts be placed in the bins provided and she and Dan will deliver them on 12/6/23. Glinda reminded the membership of the Toy Feast on 12/8/23. Darrin Nepinsky and Mike Frye informed the membership of the calendar they are putting together and requested that members send in pictures of their cars or TCCC events. Anything that will be appropriate to display in the calendar.

OFFICER/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- **VICE PRESIDENT JOHN BERRY:** John Berry recognized our Member of the Month, David Dominguez, for all the many things he does to assist members. He is always stepping in to help someone. David will receive 10 free raffle tickets at our next membership meeting. John briefly covered past events including a big thank you to Shawn and Misha Bruno for having the club to their winery to participate in the annual feast and bonfire. It was a great time for all who attended. The Blue Santa Toy Run was a huge success. Several members also participated in the Big Red's show and parade at Lamar. John recognized the birthdays for the month of December and also the anniversaries for the month.
- **SECRETARY LIZ HANLEY:** Liz Hanley, had nothing new to report. She asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to last months membership meeting minutes. There being none, she called for a motion to accept the minutes of the last membership meeting as published. Charlie Barron made a motion to accept the minutes and Mike Fryer seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- **TREASURER MONA BERRY:** Mona Berry, had nothing new to report. All is good financially.
- **BOARD MEMBER COACH BURGESS:** Coach Burgess, reported that SETX Food Bank will be hosting food drives simultaneously on 12/14/23, at Market Basket on Hwy. 105 in Beaumont and 212 27th Street in Nederland. Coach encouraged our membership to drop by and donate food and/or cash. He also reminded members of the donation can at the meeting.
- **BOARD MEMBER CHRIS CORMIER:** Chris Cormier, reported that he had purchased a new tent for the car show at a very good price. He wished everyone happy holidays and reminded everyone to be safe.
- **BOARD MEMBER JOHN DECKER:** John Decker had nothing to report.
- **BOARD MEMBER BRAD METZ:** Brad Metz was unable to attend.
- **BOARD MEMBER DAN PARESO:** Dan Pareso wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- **BOARD MEMBER & ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR ROGER ROSS:** Roger Ross was not present but Glinda reported for him with the details of the upcoming Toy Feast. She also gave details about the wine tasting on 12/9/23, at the Bruno & George Winery. TCCC has been invited exclusively to taste all 14 wines at no charge. This has never been done before by the winery, and we are so excited to participate. Bruno spoke briefly regarding the event and reminded all that wines will be available for purchase and that no other liquor will be allowed that day. For a more complete list of upcoming events as well as a review of past events, please see the newsletter.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

- **PAST PRESIDENT & MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MIKE WHITE:** Mike White reported that the flyer is complete and that TCCC will go live online for registrations. He encouraged all members to register early and if something comes up and you cannot participate, we will refund your registration. He will also set up a table at the banquet for early registration.
- **SUPPORT STAFF AND COMMITTEES:** Rod Johnstone stated that the Poker Run is scheduled for April. Nothing new to report.
Andrea Johnson reported that the annual TCCC Banquet is scheduled for 1/27/24.
- **NCM AMBASSADOR GLENN JOHNSON:** Glenn had nothing to report.

We then had a wonderful fellowship and gift exchange. Glinda asked if there was anything additional from the membership. There being no new business, Glinda called for a motion to adjourn. John Decker moved we adjourn and Mike Frye seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Raffle & Split the Pot: Split the Pot will resume with the January meeting .

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 2 at a location to be disclosed soon.

We will eat & socialize at 6PM and the meeting is at 7PM.



NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson,
TCCC NCM Ambassador

December 2023

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