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To be Determined  
March 5, 2024

Food served at 6pm  
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At-Large Board Member	<b>Roger Ross</b>
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# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

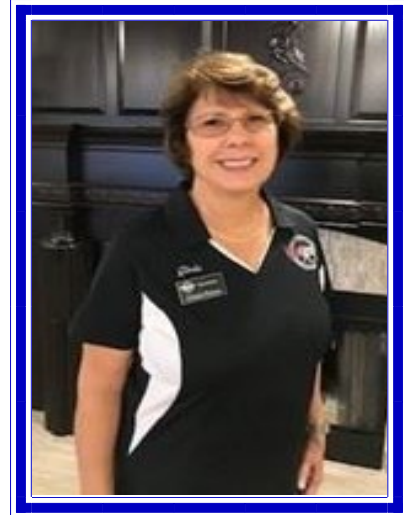
**Glinda Pareso**

**FEBRUARY 2024**

We hosted our Tri-City Corvette Club Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at the Pompano Club. We had over 80 members and guests who attended the banquet. What a great turnout. I would like to thank all the members who attended the banquet. Plus, we had a good time.

I would like to recognize those members again and congratulate them on the awards they received at the banquet.

To begin with, thank you to Andrea Johnson and Kim Merideth for organizing our Annual Awards Banquet. We appreciate all your hard work in setting up the banquet at the Pompano Club.



**We recognized the following members in various categories:**

**Our Sponsor that attended the Banquet—Bruno & George Winery:** Shawn & Misha Bruno. Thank you for all you do for us.

**Members who have been in the club for 1 year received a TCCC Jacket:**

Darlene Copeland	Stacie Cormier	Chris Cormier	Doug DeVaugh
Richard Donley	Jan Donley	Ernesto Vega	Donald Guest
Dayna Guest	Ted Harp	Teresa Long	Terry Long
Duncan McDowell	Judy Morton	Henry Morton	Christy Juarez
Juan Juarez	Tammy Coleman	Dan Coleman	Melinda Royer
Ron Barger	Cheri Cheramie	Roy Cheramie	Jeffrey Curl
Curtis Horn	Edward Leis	Wes Spincic	Kelly Bradley

**It was so good to have Dan & Tammy Coleman join us for the banquet.** Plus, it was a blessing to have their son, Lance Coleman attend the banquet too. We recognized Lance for his strong determination to get through all the surgeries, his rehab and to start his road to recovery after his accident. "Lance, you are our Hero!"

**We honor and remember the members we lost in 2023:**

**James "Corky" Wheeler**

**Gordon Buckhorn**

**Artie Tucker**

(President's Message continued)

**Members for longevity of being in the club 20 plus years:**

Cecelia Mouton	Rod Johnstone	Bobbie Johnstone
Buzz Long	Cathy Long	Ray Long

**Members for longevity of being in the club 30 plus years:**

Willa White	Misha Bruno	Shawn Bruno	Mike White
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**Members with 6 months perfect attendance were awarded \$50 dollars:**

Stacie Cormier	Dana Guest	Donald Guest	Terry Long
Lance Marchand	Chris Pareso	Joe Robles	Willa White
Mike White	Judy Snowden	Lynn Snowden	Roger Ross
John Berry	Mona Berry	Coach Burgess	

**Past Presidents who have developed and led this club to where it is today:**

Past President, Michael Merideth – 14 Years as TCCC Member  
 Past President, Rod Johnstone - 22 Years as TCCC Member  
 Past President, Shawn Bruno - 31 Years as TCCC Member  
 Past President, Mike White - 34 Years as TCCC Member

**Members who had referrals:**

Members who referred ONE Individual:

Donald Guest	Duncan McDowell	Ray Long
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Members who referred TWO Individuals:

John Berry	Terry Long	Glinda Pareso
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**Tri-City Corvette Club Members of the Months for 2023:**

March: Darrin Nepinsky	April: Jane Barron
May: Patrica McCulley	
July: Rod Johnstone	August: Patty Kupper
September: Stacie Cormier	October: Patricia McCullor
November: Donald Guest	December: David Dominguez

**Support Staff:**

Our National Corvette Museum Ambassador: Glenn & Andrea Johnson  
 Newsletter Editor: Jane Barron  
 Web Master: Terry Cauthen  
 Scholarship Program for Lamar: Cathy Long

**Committee Members:**

Annual Banquet Directors: Andrea Johnson & Kim Merideth  
 Poker Run Directors: Rod Johnstone & Shawn Bruno  
 Membership Director & Car Show Director: Mike White

**Officers:**

President: Glinda Pareso	Vice President: John Berry
Treasurer: Mona Berry	Secretary: Liz Hanley

(President's Message continued)

**Board Members:**

<b>Roger Ross</b>	<b>Chris Cormier</b>	<b>Brad Metz</b>	<b>John Decker</b>
<b>Dan Pareso</b>	<b>Mike (Coach) Burgess</b>	<b>Past President, Mike White</b>	

**We recognized Mike White as our Car Show Director who has served in the position for the past 30 Years. Mike, we just want to say thank you.**

I just wanted to say Congratulations to the members who were recognized at our Awards Banquet. Also, thank you to all the members who attended the Banquet. We had an enjoyable time.

**Our next general membership meeting will be held Tuesday, March 5, 2024. Eat & socialize at 6pm and meeting is at 7pm. The location will be announced shortly.**

*A Sincere Thank You,*

***Glinda Pareso***

***President***

***Tri-City Corvette Club***

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# VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

February 2024

## John Berry

We had 41 members turn out at the February meeting at Sombrero's. We had several of our members attending the Beaumont Visitors Convention representing our club. Brad Metz does a wonderful job in our community representing our club and members. Thank you, Brad! It was nice to meet Melinda Royer's daughter, Reagan and a past member that visited, John Cotton. We look forward to seeing you again. If you are going to have your car in the TCCC calendar, contact Michael Frye immediately to schedule a photo shoot before time runs out!

### **Prayers & Thoughts:**

We had members in the club that couldn't attend (Liz Hanley and Sherri Ross) due to illness, so say a prayer for them for a quick recovery.

### **Activities:**

We have a several events for February coming up, so check out the Events page and find one to participate in. Remember the Ride & Dine on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the Monument Inn, weather permitting. Split the Pot was won by the Morton's with \$123.00. Congratulations, you lucky couple.



**Birthdays:** . Dave Pareso, Dan Pareso, Larry Feidler, Patricia McCullor, Glinda Pareso, Bryan Serafino, Julie Walker & Chip Majors.

**Happy Birthday!!**

### **Anniversaries:**

John & Mona Berry (37 years)

Pat & Adele Francis (41 years)

Terry & Karen Cauthen (46 years)

Rickie & Cathy Knott (46 years)

**Happy Anniversary!!!**

**Tech Corner:** Corvettes are difficult to tow. If they break down, there are limited areas to attach a tow cable to pull it on a flatbed trailer, so it is important to have a Tow Hook designed for your car that you can carry and attach when needed to prevent damage when towing.

Thank you all and have a great 2024.

*John Berry*

TCCC, Vice President

*"Be Kind its Free."*





**DRIVE & DINE**  
**JANUARY 6, 2024**  
**PIT ROW PIT STOP**  
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**SHOW & SHINE FOR BOY SCOUTS**  
**JANUARY 27, 2024**





# TCCC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

JANUARY 30, 2024



## Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2024

### **PRESIDENT, GLINDA PARESO**

- President, Glinda Pareso was attending the 32nd Annual Hall of Fame Event at the Beaumont Convention and Visitors Center, along with Dan Pareso, Mike White, Willa White, Lynn Metz, and Brad Metz to represent the TCCC. In her absence, John Berry, Vice President, presided over the meeting. John called the meeting to order and the membership stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance and John Berry offered the invocation. There were 41 members present and three guests; John Cotton, Regina Carnley, and Melinda Royer's daughter, Reagan.

### **OFFICER/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

- **VICE PRESIDENT JOHN BERRY:** Vice President, John Berry reminded everyone of the annual banquet which is already on schedule for January 25, 2025. John gave an overview of past events and recognized members individually with birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of February.
- **SECRETARY LIZ HANLEY:** Secretary, Liz Hanley was unable to attend. John reported that a thank you card had been received from Buckner's Family Services thanking TCCC for its continuing support and the many Christmas gifts for the foster children. John asked if the membership had seen the minutes of last months meeting but failed to get a motion to accept as published so this will be taken care of at next months meeting.
- **TREASURER MONA BERRY:** Treasurer, Mona Berry gave an overview of our income and expenses for the past month and stated we have plenty of funds moving forward to meet our obligations for the car show and our charitable contributions.
- **BOARD MEMBER COACH BURGESS:** Board Member, Mike Burgess thanked the membership for all they have donated to the food bank and reported that he is still working on organizing an event for the food bank at one of the local Market Baskets.
- **BOARD MEMBER CHRIS CORMIER:** Board Member, Chris Cormier updated everyone on the Foster Children's Prom scheduled for February 24, 2024. The last count provided was 17 young men so we need that many Corvettes. Drivers must all be male this year as required by Jefferson County. Chris asked that everyone pre register for our car show and passed out forms so that anyone present could register and pay Mona. Chris also praised Brad Metz for all his hard work for the club and told the membership that if anyone is interested in helping Brad with donations, please reach out to Brad.
- **BOARD MEMBER JOHN DECKER:** Board Member, John Decker was unable to attend.
- **BOARD MEMBER BRAD METZ:** Board Member, Brad Metz was also attending the Hall of Fame dinner. He sent word that Gulf Credit Union would donate the cost of our trophies and tee shirts for our 30th Annual car show in May.
- **BOARD MEMBER DAN PARESO:** Board Member, Dan Pareso was also attending the Hall of Fame dinner.
- **BOARD MEMBER & ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR ROGER ROSS:** Board Member, Roger Ross reviewed upcoming events. A complete list of events is on our website and on Facebook as well as in our Newsletter. He said he and John Berry will monitor the weather for the Drive and Dine scheduled for February 10th for a possible reschedule. A decision will be made Friday the 9th.
- **PAST PRESIDENT & MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MIKE WHITE:** Past President and Membership Director, Mike Whit also attended the Hall of Fame dinner.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

- **NCM AMBASSADOR GLENN JOHNSON:** NCM Ambassador, Glenn Johnson was unable to attend.
- **SUPPORT STAFF AND COMMITTEES:** None of the support staff had anything new to report.

John Berry had five trivia questions with a scratch off being the prize for each winner. We had our door prizes followed by the half pot which was won by The Morton's in the amount of \$123.00. Congratulations to all the winners.

John asked if there was any other business before the club and Lynn Snowden announced that his annual Valentine run will be 2/17/24.

John stated that our next meeting will be held March 5 and they will be visiting new locations and will notify everyone of the location via email. There being no further business to discuss Roger Ross moved we adjourn and Lance Marchand seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

**Raffle & Split the Pot:** Split the Pot was won by The Morton's for \$123.00.

**Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 5 at a location to be determined later.**

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





## NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson,  
TCCC NCM Ambassador

**February 2024**

# NCM CORVETTE RAFFLES

The National Corvette Museum is licensed by the Kentucky Department of Charitable Gaming Under license number ORG0000854.

At this time, we offer purchasers **located in Kentucky** the ability to purchase raffle tickets on their personal computers, mobile devices and on-site at the National Corvette Museum and NCM Motorsports Park.

To purchase a raffle ticket online, you must be at least 18 years of age and be **physically located in Kentucky** at the time of purchase. You do not have to be a resident of Kentucky to participate.

If you are not located in Kentucky, you may **download an Order Form** from this site and send to NCM for processing.

Please subscribe to NCM eNews for any future news or updates from the Museum.

Below are our currently active raffles. For additional information regarding National Corvette Museum raffles, visit **here**.

### Dates You Should Know:

#### 2024 NCM Spring BASH

Bowling Green, KY

April 25 – April 27, 2024

Details are posted on the NCM website

Online registration is open. [www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/](http://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/)

(NCM Corner continued)

### **NCM Flint Brick Wall**

You can have your name, business or Corvette club name engraved on a signature plate and attached as a permanent fixture incorporated into the Flint brick wall of the St. Louis Corvette Assembly Plant display of the Museum. This permanent display is limited to only **620 usable bricks** and each brick space reserved in the display area wall will be recognized with certificate of authenticity. NCM Members can reserve their space on the Flint brick wall by donating \$250 / \$300 for non-members. The Flint brick wall display is incorporated into a very significant area of the Museum and will be a lasting way to recognize our fundraising supporters. The brick plates will be arranged on the wall from the center out, and are available on a first come-first serve basis. Proceeds from the Flint brick display wall will benefit the Museum's building campaign.

The historic Flint bricks used in this display are bricks from the GM Assembly Plant where the 300 1953 Corvettes were made in Flint, Michigan. This building was razed in 2003, and General Motors has allowed us the opportunity to use them as a fundraiser for the building addition.

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The National Corvette Museum, located in Bowling Green, KY, is a world class facility that showcases the world famous sports car called the Corvette. My purpose, as your NCM Ambassador, is to provide our club with a two way communication link to the NCM. My mission will be that of receiving and disseminating the most current and correct information from the NCM and to convey that information to our club. I will be acting as the Museum representative and will be promoting and soliciting support for the NCM through promotional activities and encouraging other club members to join the NCM. Finally, I will serve as the voice of our Corvette club to the NCM communicating concerns, ideas and suggestions our club may have to the NCM.