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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Mike White

JANUARY 2022

First I would like to say to all Happy New and hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. January has always been a slow month for events. At the January club meeting we had 33 members and 3 guests.

We would like to welcome back Dominick Pareso who is Dave and Chrissy Pareso's grandson. Also welcome back Curtis Horn and Barry Sheffield which both have made events and meetings and are ready to be voted in to the Tri-City Corvette Club.

Thanks again to Rod Johnstone for organizing, ordering and delivering all the new club jackets.



We have good news, Glinda Pareso who had reverse colostomy surgery, is out of the hospital and now is back home. Glinda still has a way to go to get back, but she is strong and will do well. Our prayers are with her.

Member Gene VanMeter, Jr.'s father, Gene Allen VanMeter, passed away. The club sent flowers. Mike read the thank you note Gene sent to the club: "To my friends of the Tri City Corvette Club, your thoughts, prayers and beautiful flowers given in honor of my dad were greatly appreciated. I'm so proud to be a member of this great organization. Thank you from the Gene VanMeter, Jr. family."

We have had many events in the last few weeks, so please read Roger Ross' VP report in this newsletter. For details of the January 4, 2022 Tri-City Corvette Club meeting, please read meeting minutes in this newsletter taken by Willa White, since Glinda is still recovering from surgery. The minutes help our members know what transpired at the monthly meeting if they are unable to attend.

Again I would like to thank all for attending the meeting and signing in every meeting. This will help us keep track of the perfect attendance awards to be given out at the Annual Banquet. The Annual Banquet will be later in the year.

Saturday May 14, 2022 will be our 28th Annual Tri-City Corvette Club Show. <u>Please let me know if you would like to be on one of the committees.</u>

2022 Tri-City Corvette Club Car Show Committee

Chair: Mike White

Show Treasurer: Willa White

Show Director. Coach

Goodie Bags/Hospitality Committee: Photo Committee: Darrin Nepinsky

2022 Tri-City Corvette Club Car Show Committee (continued)

Parking Committee: Rod Johnstone

<u>Trophy Committee</u>: Mike White <u>Judging Committee</u>: John Berry

Registration Committee: Jane Barron and Mona Berry

Door Prize Ticket Committee:

Silent Auction Committee: Pat McCulley

Valve Cover Racing Committee: Bobbie Johnstone & Rod Johnstone

Equipment Setup/Trash Committee: Coach

Registration for chance to win Corvette:

Vendor Committee: Brad Metz food for Hospitality night, Lynn Metz, Pat McCullor

P.A. System Music: Chad White

Congratulations to Gene VanMeter, Jr. for winning \$103 from the half pot drawing.

See you at our next monthly meeting February 1, 2022 at Sombreros Mexican Restaurant in Nederland, Texas.

Thank You,

Mike White

TCCC President

VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

Roger Ross

Welcome to 2022!

I would like to begin by wishing each of you a healthy, happy and prosperous new year.

The new year has started off well for the Tri City Corvette Club. In our first meeting of 2022, we were fortunate to add two new members to the TCCC family. Curtis Horn and Barry Sheffield were unanimously voted in by the membership. Welcome aboard brothers!

Club members participated in the Channel 6 Fox 4 Toy Feast again this year in December. The stations put on the event to gather toys and monetary donations to give out to area children who might otherwise not receive the joyous Christmas that all children deserve. Fifteen (15) members and their Corvettes caravanned over to the studios and delivered the toys that all of you so generously donated. It was a good day!



January 7th - Birthday Drive-by for Bella

- (This sweet girl is battling cancer and her parents have requested a birthday drive by for her 10th birthday)
- (Corvettes should arrive at the Nederland High School Student Lot at 4PM)

January 8th - 409 Car Cruise

- (Staging is a 8:30AM at the Flying J Travel Center on IH-10 in Orange)

January 15th - Faith United Methodist Church's Christmas Cruisin' Re-Do Car Show

- (Rescheduled from December)
- (Located at 18895 FM365 in Beaumont)
- (This event is from 10AM 2PM)

January 22nd - Tri City Corvette Club's Vettes For Pets

- (PetsMart at 4045 Dowlen Road in Beaumont)
- (This event is from 10AM 2PM)
- (Members should bring their Corvette, lawn chairs and pet food to donate)

Also, don't forget to go on the events page and get registered for the 28th Annual TCCC Corvette Show in May, 2022. It will be here before we know it!

Let's have a great January and an awesome 2022! Also, be sure to wish all the folks listed below a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary when you see them out and about this month.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger M. Ross

Vice President Tri City Corvette Club

January Birthdays

Andrea Johnson

Max Dawson

Brad Metz

Bill Hanley

Sherrie Ross

Buzz Long

Roger Ross

Charlie Grado

Pat Francis

January Anniversaries

Sheri & Gordon Buchorn

Lee & Max Dawson

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Tri-City Corvette Club 28th Annual Corvette Show

Registration \$30 pre-register or online tricitycorvetteclub.com \$35.00 day of the show May 14, 2022. \$10.00 for any additional vehicles. To qualify for this discount, the vehicles must be owned by the same person. This form is to register for the show only.

Please register online at https://tricitycorvetteclub.com/event-4547347 Registration Form

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9. Stock C6 Z06 & ZR1	2006-2013	23. Custom C6 Z06 & ZR1	2005-2013
10. Stock C7	2014 - 2019	24. Custom C7	2014 - 2019
11. Stock C7 Grandsport	2014-2019	25. Custom C7 Grandsport	2014-2019
12. Stock C7 Z06 & ZR1	2014-2019	26. Custom C7 Z06 & ZR1	2014-2019
13. Stock C8 Coupe	2020-2022	27. Custom C8 Coupe	2020-2022
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Signature:	Date

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CHRISTMAS CRUISIN' - JANUARY 15



Congratulations to JOHN BERRY who placed Best in Class



Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

Date: January 4, 2022 Held at Sombrero Mexican Grill

President: Mike White

President, Mike White opened the meeting for the Tri-City Corvette Club (TCCC) at 7:00pm. He began the meeting with a moment of silence for our fallen officers, service personnel and all who serve us in uniform. He asked that we keep them in our prayers. He then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome members:

Mike White said 36 members were in attendance at the meeting, and was glad all could make the meeting.

Welcome Guests:

- Mike welcomed Dominick Pareso, who is Dave and Chrissy Pareso's grandson.
- Mike welcomed back Curtis Horn and Barry Sheffield. Mike stated both had made events and meetings and can be voted in to the club.
- Mike made a motion to vote Curtis Horn and Berry Sheffield into to the club. All voted in favor, and Mike welcomed them to the club. .

Old Business:

• Mike also thanked Rod Johnstone for organizing and ordering the jackets for the club members. Mike said all but a couple jackets have been delivered.

Good News/Sad News:

- Mike ask Chris or Coach to please give an update on Glinda. Coach said Glinda's surgery-reverse colostomy had a few complications and was in critical care. Coach stated that Dave Pareso was going through a tough time with kidney stones and Phyllis had an arteriogram and is a little under the weather. Coach ask Rod Johnstone to say a prayer for our members with health problems. Rod Johnstone said a prayer for all.
- Artie Tucker has been diagnosed with Stage 4 Neuroendocrine carcinoma, metastatic cancer. They are in the process of moving his treatment to MD Anderson.
- Brenda Nichols had a complete right knee replacement, and Harry said she was doing well in therapy.
- Karen Cauthen is doing well after surgery for a torn meniscus.
- Kelly Cody's son was diagnosed with MS. She has been in Boerne to help him due to the affect on his vision.
- Gene VanMeter's father, Gene Allen VanMeter passed away, and the club sent flowers. Mike said he received a card from Gene. Mike read the card to the club. To my friends of the Tri City Corvette Club: Your thoughts, prayers and beautiful flowers given in honor of my dad were greatly appreciated. I'm so proud to be a member of this great organization. Thank you from the Gene VanMeter, Jr. family.

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Mike recognized our sponsors and thanked them for their support. Please remember to bring your business to our sponsors because the more business we can bring to our sponsors, the longer they can support us.

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(Meeting Minutes continued)

Mike shared the list of charities that we donate to annually:

- * Buckner Children and Family Services
- * Humane Society of Southeast Texas
- * Jefferson County Child Welfare
- * Outdoor Association for True Heroes, "OATH"
- * The American Cancer Society
- * The Blue Santa Program

- * Southeast Texas Food Bank
- * Lamar University Scholarships
- * Texas Military Honors Team
- * 100 Club
- * The National Corvette Museum

Mike stated that what makes the Tri-City Corvette Club such a success and moving forward is our members. Thank you, members for all you do and your support for our events and charities.

• Vice-President: Roger Ross

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Roger recognized the members who are celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries for the month of January, 2022.

Past Events: Roger Ross provided an overview of past events.

Saturday, December 4, 2021 - Buckner Children & Family Services

Roger thanked all the members who attended the event. He shared what a special day it was to spend at Buckner Children's Home giving the kids Corvette rides and watching those smiles. What a great time we had with the kids.

Friday, December 10, 2021 - Channel 6 Fox 4 Toy Feast

Fifteen club members and their Corvettes participated in the Channel 6 Fox 4 Toy Feast again this year. The event gathers toys and donations for area children who might not receive the Christmas they deserve. The club caravanned to the studios to deliver the clubs donations of toys.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, January 22, 2022 from 10:00 - 2:00pm - Humane Society Show & Shine

This is one of our annual charity drives for the Beaumont Humane Society. We will be collecting dog food, cat food and supplies for the Humane Society.

Saturday, May 14, 2022 - 28th Annual Tri-City Corvette Club Show

Mark your calendars for our annual TCCC Car Show held at the Holiday Inn, 3950 I-10 South, Beaumont, Texas. Registration is from 8:30am-11:30am. Awards start at 3:30pm. \$30 Pre-Registration, \$35 Day of Show, \$10 Each Additional Corvette. You can now register online on the Tri-City Corvette Club website. Mike White stated the 28th annual show will be here before you know it, so please let us know if you would like to be on one of the show committees. Mike said he would send out a sign up list with all the committees so you can pick one.

• <u>Treasurer – Willa White</u>

Willa provided an overview of our expenses and deposits for the financial report for December. Willa asked Gwen to stand up and do a pinch joke for us, and yes, Gwen had one good joke to share with us.

Secretary – Glinda Pareso

No report.

Board Member – Rod Johnstone

Rod stated they are looking at April 23rd for the Poker Run.

Board Member – Coach Burgess

Coach shared that he presented a check for \$250.00 to the Southeast Texas Food Bank from our December meeting. Coach thanked all the members for their generosity. The Food Bank was very appreciative of our donation.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

Board Member – John Berry

John stated that in late January they will start looking for a Corvette run for a weekend.

Board Member and Marketing Chair – Brad Metz

Brad stated we might have a run to the casino Coushatta for a show. No set up yet but looking like April or May. Brad also said Sombero's would like to start a coffee & cars event, so we are now working on it.

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report: Glenn Johnson

Glenn and Andrea could not attend the meeting.

Newsletter: Jane Barron

The newsletter is on the website each month.

Mike White ended the meeting with a few more comments. The Tri City Corvette Club is looking at the annual banquet to be this summer due to covid. There will be a board meeting on January 20 for board members and support staff.

Thanks to Willa for selling the tickets. Thanks to Rod for calling out the numbers for the drawing of prizes and split the pot.

Split the Pot: \$103 won by Gene VanMeter, Jr.

Rod Johnstone recommended we close the TCCC Meeting and Michael Frye seconded the motion.

Next Meeting will be February 1, 2022 at Sombrero Mexican Grill.

6:00pm dinner

7:00pm meeting



NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson, TCCC NCM Ambassador

January 2022

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