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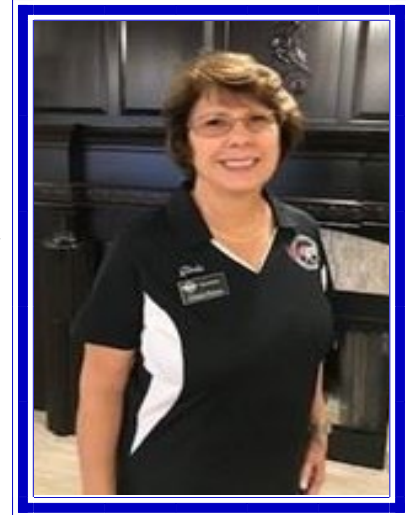
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Glinda Pareso

JANUARY 2024



What a great year 2023 was for the Tri-City Corvette Club. Our club was extremely active for the year, and we had a lot of great events to attend as well as supporting our charities and their events. I just wanted to say thank you to all our members for staying involved and attending the different activities that the club hosted.

Again, being involved with the club and the community events speaks volumes about our club members and making the Tri-City Corvette Club the Best of Southeast Texas.

Our members' generosity has been outstanding. Thank you for donating all the toys for the different toy drives we hosted for the Christmas holidays. Each of your donations brought smiles to children in need by donating toys to them for Christmas. Thank You so much!

We provided toys and supported the following organizations:

1. The Blue Santa
2. The Buckner's Children Angel Tags
3. Several local smaller car shows where we brought toys.
4. The KFDM/Fox4 Collection for the Toy Feast
5. Cars & Cookies, Beaumont Toy Drive
6. Extreme Details Toy Drive for the Mission
7. And many of you donated toys to your local churches and toy drives.

I would like to thank Pat McCulley for arranging a drive & dine at Frankie's Restaurant, the Row & Pit Stop Diner in Livingston. Thank you to John Berry and Roger Ross for arranging the event on January 6, 2024 and leading us to dinner in Livingston for the clubs drive and dine.

On Saturday, January 27, 2024, from 9:30am to 11am. TCCC will host a Show & Shine for the Lumberton Club Scouts Pack 9.

- We will host a Show & Shine for the Cub Scouts Pack 9 for the kids during their Pinewood Derby Rally. So please come join us for the Show & Shine.

(President's Message continued)

Thank you to Andrea Johnson and Kim Merideth for organizing our TCCC's Annual Awards Banquet. We are going to have a good time, and we will recognize quite a few of our members. So come join us for the Annual Awards Banquet at The Pompano in Port Neches.

The banquet will be held Saturday, January 27, 2024 at The Pompano, 330 Twin City Hwy in Port Neches.

Happy and Social hour is at 6:00PM, Dinner is at 7:00PM with the Awards to follow dinner. Dress Code: Dressy or Sunday Dress

To register for the banquet, you must call or text Andrea Johnson or Kim Meridith to provide your information to attend the banquet.

Andrea Johnson: 409 626-1402 or Kim Merideth: 409 656 4901

Note: All TCCC Member dinners are free and part of your benefits of being a club member. All guest and non-members cost is \$40 for the Awards Banquet. Please get with Andrea or Kim to ensure you and your guest are registered and your guest is paid before attending the banquet.

I am looking forward to another outstanding year for the Tri-City Corvette Club. If you have any ideas for events or places to visit, please get with our Activity Director, Roger Ross and share your ideas with him.

Our next general membership meeting will be held Tuesday, February 6, 2024. Eat & socialize at 6pm and meeting is at 7pm. The membership meeting will be located at Sombrero Mexican Grill, 2095 US 69 Access Rd N in Nederland.

A Sincere Thank You,

Glinda Pareso

President

Tri-City Corvette Club

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VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

January 2024 Meeting

John Berry

What a nice turnout for our January meeting at Nice Guy Rickie's to start the year off with 61 members attending the meeting. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a safe New Years.

We will continue a member to recognize, but it will be quarterly instead of monthly, so if you know someone we need to recognize, let a board member know.

Prayers & Thoughts:

Please keep Dan Pareso in your prayers as he recovers from his surgery and glad he is back.

Please pray for Coach Mike Burgess as he is dealing with the flu, Get Well Soon.

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

Split the Pot was won by Terry Long with \$166.00. Congratulations Terry!



Activities:

We have a few events for January coming up so check out the Events' page and find one to participate in. Remember the Ride & Dine on the 6th and Club Banquet on the 27th.

Birthdays: . Henry Morton, Andrea Johnson, Brad Metz, Max Dawson, Bill Hanley, Sherrie Ross, Buzz Long, Charlie Grado, Roger Ross, Pat Francis, Keven Brady, and Curtis Horn. **Happy Birthday!**

Anniversaries:

Kenny & Melinda Royer (18 years)

Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Buckhorn (46 years)

Max & Lee Dawson (60 years)

Happy Anniversary!!!

Tech Corner: With the winter months among us be sure to check you air pressure in your tires and keep you battery maintained as cold weather like to kill them. A cheap \$15 battery tender does great to keep those batteries maintained and ready to go.

Thank you all and have a great 2024.

John Berry

TCCC, Vice President

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BRUNO & GEORGE WINERY

DECEMBER 9, 2023



Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2024

PRESIDENT GLINDA PARESO

- President, Glinda Pareso, called the meeting to order and the membership stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Max Dawson offered the invocation. We had 61 members present and also three guests. Visiting with the Snowdens were their family members, Tammy and Mike Hentrich and also Michelle Dollinger was visiting with us. Glinda thanked the membership for their generosity in donating so many toys for the multiple toy drives during the month of December.

OFFICER/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- **VICE PRESIDENT JOHN BERRY:** Vice President, John Berry, announced that the board had made the decision to recognize Member of the Quarter versus Member of the Month. He stated however, that we may name more than one member for recognition. Our first recognition will be at the April meeting. John did a preview of past events. He thanked Shawn and Misha Bruno for having the membership as guests to the winery for a free tasting event. He then recognized members with a birthday in January and also those with wedding anniversaries. We had a special one this month, Max Dawson and his lovely wife Lee celebrating 60 years together. Max shared with the membership that he had purchased a brick to be placed at the museum commemorating this very special anniversary. He had a sample of the brick and showed it to the membership.
- **SECRETARY LIZ HANLEY:** Secretary, Liz Hanley, reported to the membership that the minutes of the last meeting had been published in the December Newsletter. She asked if anyone had any changes, deletions or additions. There were none and she called for a motion to accept the minutes as published. A motion was made by Gene VanMeter and a second by John Decker. The membership voted to accept the minutes. There were several pieces of mail and she shared all with the membership.
- **TREASURER MONA BERRY:** Mona Berry, had nothing new to report. All is good financially.
- **BOARD MEMBER COACH BURGESS:** Board Member, Mike Burgess, was ill and could not attend. He sent word, however, that he had given receipts to Mona for donations.
- **BOARD MEMBER CHRIS CORMIER:** Board Member, Chris Cormier, reminded everyone to mark their calendars for the foster children's prom on 2/24/24..
- **BOARD MEMBER JOHN DECKER:** Board Member, John Decker, stated that The Giving Field will have their Lemonade Stand again later this year and we will participate in that event. He will decide about the Journey Church Show & Shine and will let us know when and if they continue with that event.
- **BOARD MEMBER BRAD METZ:** Board Member, Brad Metz, was unable to attend, but sent word that our sponsors were invited to attend our banquet at the expense of TCCC to show our appreciation for their continued support. He also reported that Fuzzy's will assist again with food for our hospitality night.
- **BOARD MEMBER DAN PARESO:** Board Member, Dan Pareso, had nothing new to report but reminded the guys that the ROMEO'S will be going to Vautrot's this week.
- **BOARD MEMBER & ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR ROGER ROSS:** Roger Ross, gave a quick review of upcoming planned events. You can find a complete list on our website. We are going to have a Drive and Dine on Saturday, January 6, 2024. The group will meet at Fuzzy's at 8am and leave promptly at 9am. We will be going to The Pit Row Pit Stop in Livingston. He reminded everyone to sign up for our annual banquet and that guests will be charged \$40.00 (be prepared to pay cash, no cards) but members will be free. The banquet is January 27, 2024, at the Pompano Club.
- **PAST PRESIDENT & MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MIKE WHITE:** Mike White reported that the flyers are ready and will be on the website in about 2 weeks. He encouraged everyone to register now and informed them that if something came up and they could not participate, the club will refund the registration fee. He talked about how much the club had grown. We now have 133 members. He is up to date on name tags for all members.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

- **NCM AMBASSADOR GLENN JOHNSON:** NCM Ambassador, Glenn Johnson, informed us that all plant tours have been suspended beginning 2/5/24. Normally when this happens, something big is coming. He also reported that the cost of the parking lot banners at the museum have gone up to \$725.00. John Berry told us that we auction those after they have been used and we recoup some if not more than the money we spend on them and advised we purchase one. There was brief discussion and some clarification and John asked if there was a motion to approve the purchase of a banner. Roger Ross moved we approve the purchase of a parking lot banner and Kim Meredith seconded the motion. Motion passed. Glenn also informed us that there is a possibility of a dues increase in the upcoming year.
- **SUPPORT STAFF AND COMMITTEES:** None of the support staff had anything new to report with the exception of Kathy Long who said that she should have the name of our scholarship recipient next week

John Berry had five trivia questions with a scratch off being the prize for each winner. The winners were Liz Hanley, Kim Meredith, David Watson, Max Dawson and Terry Long. We then had our door prizes followed by the half pot which was won by Terry Long in the amount of \$166.00. Congratulations to all the winners.

Glinda asked if there was any other business before the club and Lynn Snowden announced that his annual Valentine run will be 2/17/24. He will get information out on it soon.

Glinda also stated that our next meeting will be at Sombrero's in Mid County on 2/6/24. There being no further business to discuss Roger Ross moved we adjourn and Terry Long seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Raffle & Split the Pot: Split the Pot was won by Terry Long for \$166.00.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 6 at Sombrero's Mexican Grill.

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



NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson,
TCCC NCM Ambassador

January 2024

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For Lifetime membership information or anything about the National Corvette Museum, please contact Glenn Johnson, 409-719-8680 or gjohnson@gt.rr.com

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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.