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December 1, 2020

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

## Mike White

Thanks to all the members and guests for another great turnout for the November Tri-City Corvette Club meeting.

We would like to thank Brad Metz for inviting Josh and Naomi Knowlton, the owners of Ktron Kitchen's Food Truck. They were at our 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Tri-City Corvette Club Show October 10<sup>th</sup>. Josh & Naomi did an outstanding job in serving delicious food at the car show and they donated 10% of their profits to our charity. Thank you Josh and Naomi.

Welcome to our guests: Art O. Turner from Orange has a 2009 white Corvette; Juan & Christy Juarez from Orange have a 2015 grey Stingray; Gene VanMeter, Jr. from Lumberton has a 2015 crystal red Stingray; and Josh McQueen from Lumberton has a 2016 gray Z51. Welcome to all and hope you enjoy the Club.



It was good to see Cecelia Mouton who brought her daughter, Colleen. Welcome.

Good news/Sad News: After the car show, Glenda Pareso had knee surgery, and while trying to recover, Dan Pareso had to go to the hospital because of hemorrhaging. He has received a couple of blood transfusions. He was released from the hospital and able to go home, but has doctor visits scheduled. We were happy to see them at the meeting.

Cathy Long went to the doctor and had shots in her back and is at home recovering. Shawn Bruno is doing a lot better after his quadruple bypass. He is now driving and making wine. Our prayers and thoughts go out to Roger Ross and family for the loss of his mother. Glenn Johnson had some serious dental work and has to take it easy for a month to recover, while Andrea has been going to the doctor for her knee and she is doing a lot better. Please keep all of our Corvette family in your prayers.

Again I would like to thank everyone for how our 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette show turned out, especially due to the hurricane. The show was another success thanks to all of our hard working members. The club is honored to know that we continue to give to our charities: Lamar University Scholarship, Buckner Children and Family Services, Beaumont, Southeast Texas Food Bank, Humane Society of Southeast Texas, Golden Triangle Foster Care, Texas Military Team, and Outdoor Association for True Hero's (OATH).

The Tri-City Corvette Club had Corvettes for the American Cancer Society "Pink Power Cruise" on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at Lamar University Montagne Center for riders of "Real Men Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness".

What makes the Tri-City Corvette Club such a success and moving forward is our Members. Thank you members.

We are thankful that we have great sponsors that support our club. If you, a family member, or a friend need services, please support our sponsors. We continue to be able to donate to our charities because of the help given by our sponsors.

Buckner Children and Family Services, Beaumont, Texas
Humane Society of Southeast Texas
Jefferson County Foster Care
Lamar University Scholarship
Outdoor Association for True Heroes, "OATH"
Southeast Texas Food Bank
Texas Military Team

#### **Next Club Meeting**

Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at Sombrero Mexican Grill, 2095 U. S. 69 Access Rd., Nederland

6pm eat & socialize

7pm Meeting

**Thank You** 

Mike White

TCCC, President

Trí-Cíty Corvette Club is a proud supporter Scholarship Program



## VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

## John Berry

We had over 50 members at the club meeting at Sombrero's, and it was a good time with good food folks! It was nice to see everyone, and we had a few guests visit as well— Art Turner, Juan & Christy Juarez, Gene VanMeter Jr. and Josh McQueen. Great to have you guys!

We had several past events with club members attending such as the Pink Power Cruise at Lamar University for cancer awareness and the Trunk or Treat at 5 Under which was fantastic seeing all the kids costumes and smiling faces. Also, on November 7<sup>th</sup> several attended the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Bayou State Corvette Club Car Show with Mike White, Ronne Woods, Larry Fielder, Tom Nichols and Harry Nichols all taking some new trophies home.

Keep on your calendar November 21<sup>st</sup>, the Bruno & George Winery Bonfire in Sour Lake. There will be lots of food and drinks, and you can bring your own meat to grill if you like. Don't forget to bring lawn chairs as well.

**Prayers & thoughts:** Keep Brandi Hensley in your prayers and thoughts with the recent loss of Michael Hensley. Also remember numerous club members in your thoughts and prayers such as Dan & Glinda Pareso, Cathy Long, Glenn & Andrea Johnson and Shawn Bruno.



Our thoughts and prayers also go out to Roger Ross with the recent loss of his mother, God Bless!

Please keep up with the club via the club emails and Facebook, especially for upcoming events and club functions.

Happy Veterans Day to all of our club veterans. Thank you for your service and sacrifice.

**November Birthdays:** Kathy Woods, Lenora Robles, Pat McCulley, John Berry, Kim Merideth, Isaac Barbosa, Charlie Buteaud and Jeff Breaux. Happy Birthday to you all!

#### **November Anniversaries:**

Craig & Nancy Horn (9 Years)

Ben & Nancy Harper (37 Years)

Joe & Kathy Vargas (38 years)

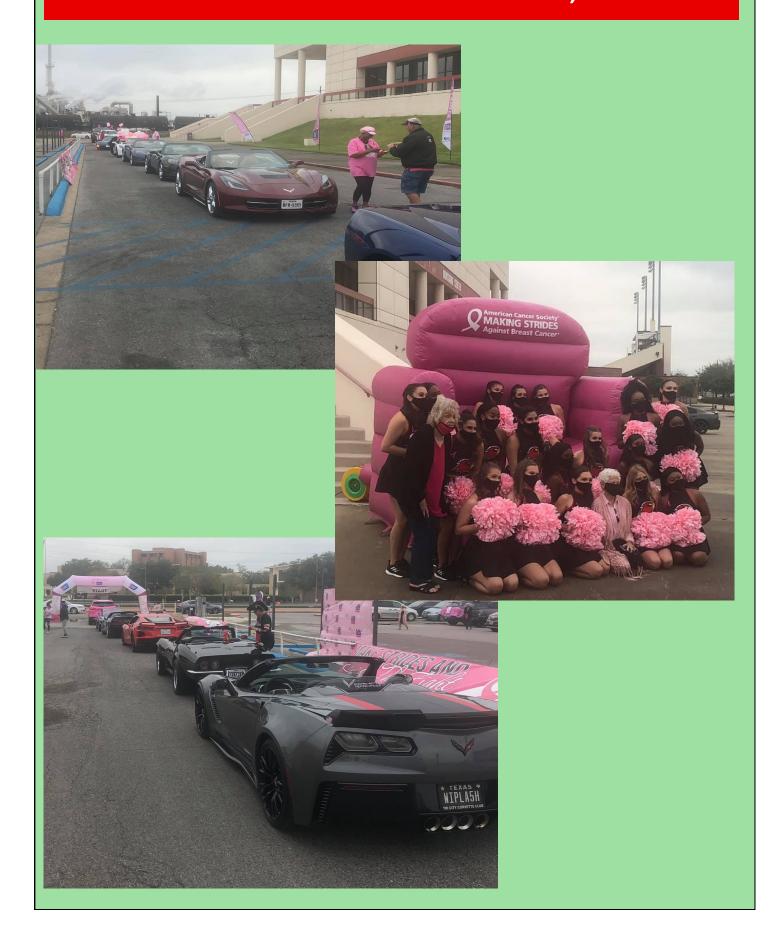
Harry & Brenda Nichols (53 Years WOW!)

Happy Anniversary to you!

John Berry, TCCC, Vice President

All serve the club, and the club serves all

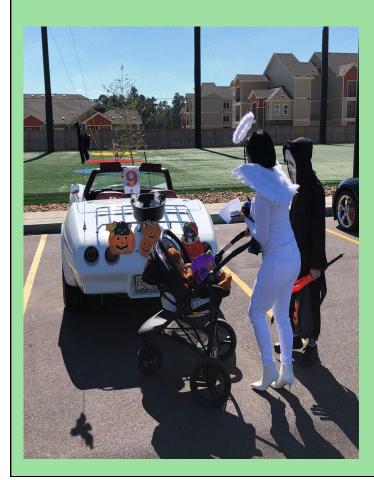
## PINK POWER CRUISE—OCTOBER 24, 2020



## 5 UNDER TRUNK OR TREAT—OCTOBER 31, 2020





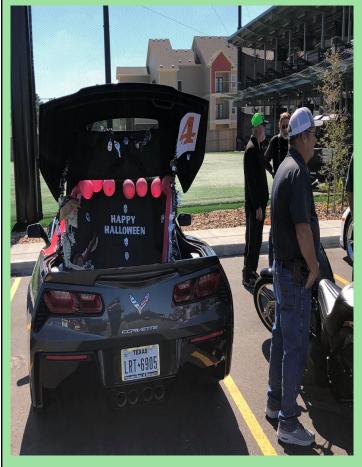




## 5 UNDER TRUNK OR TREAT—OCTOBER 31, 2020









## **Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes**

Date: November 10, 2020 Meeting 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. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome members: Mike White welcomed everyone and appreciates everyone coming to the meeting.

Guest & New Members: We had 10 guests attend the meeting.

Brad Metz introduced our special guests, Josh and Naomi Knowlton who provided the TCCC with Ktron Kitchen's Food Truck for our car show. Brad Metz shared he received a thank letter from Ktron to thank the TCCC for inviting them to bring their food truck, Ktron Kitchens to our car show. Josh and Naomi were very appreciative, and as a thank you they presented a donation of \$100 to be given back to the club.

Dan Pareso's twin brother, Dave Pareso and his wife Chrissy from Colorado attended the meeting as guests. They own a black rose, C7 Stingray.

Also, as a guest we had Cecelia Mouton's daughter, Colleen attend the meeting with her.

We had four guests who own Corvettes attend the meeting for the first time:

Josh McQueen, who owns a 2016 gray C-7 Stingray

Gene & Cathy Van Meter Jr. from Lumberton who own a 2015 crystal red C-7 Stingray

Juan & Christy Juarez from Orange who own Shari's, a 2015 grey C7 Stingray

Arto & Diane Turner from Little Cypress who own Butch Norman, a 2009 Corvette

**Sponsors:** Mike wanted to recognize our sponsors and say thank you 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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Website: Mike thanked Terry Cauthen for all his help with the website.

#### Updates on Members: Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers:

Shawn Bruno is starting to feel a little better since he had his open-heart surgery, quadruple bypass.

Michael Hensley passed in the early morning on Oct 23, 2020. Prayers for his wife Brandie and their family.

Cathy Long is still out with back problems and she has had some injections in her back to help eliminate the pain.

**Rickie and Cathy Knott** for the loss of Cathy's father, Chester Anthony Broussard Sr. Also, we received a thank you note from Ricky and Cathy thanking us for the beautiful plant we sent to her father's services.

**Roger Ross** for the loss of his mother. Please keep Roger and his family in your prayers.

**Dan & Glinda Pareso**—Dan was hospitalized for seven days with internal bleeding and several blood transfusions to keep his Hemoglobin levels up. Dan is doing better, and his levels are staying stable. Glinda had reconstruction knee surgery. Keep them both in your thoughts and prayers.

**Glenn & Andrea Johnson** keep them in your prayers after Glenn had some dental work, and Andrea is still recovering from fracturing her tail bone.

#### The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual TCCC Car Show:

Mike wanted to thank every member who assisted and attended the car show. With all the members helping with the car show, it made the car show a great success.

Mike said he appreciated all the hard work from our club members. Our Hospitality Night went well. Mike wanted to thank Coach for being the event scheduler.

Mike also wanted to thank all our individuals and businesses who purchased sponsor trophies.

Again, thank you to all the members who assisted with the car show.

**Homecoming Parades:** Mike thanked all the members who have supported the homecoming parades for West Brook, Nederland, and other requests for Corvettes needed for the parades.

#### Vice-President: John Berry

**Birthday & Anniversary**: John recognized the members who have birthdays and anniversaries for the month of November, 2020.

#### **Past Events:**

#### October 8, 2020: Car Show Promotion at MOORE GM

Moore GM Silsbee Annual Car Show Promotion with KFDM Morning Show featured our Corvettes to promote the 26th Annual Tri-City Corvette Show. Thanks to all the members that showed up in the rain to promote our show. There were 14 corvettes C2 through C8. Thank you, members.

#### October 8, 2020: Holiday Inn, Austin Room - Goodie Bag Night

Thanks to all the members that came out to the Holiday Inn to help put together goodie bags for the show. Thank you very much.

#### October 9, 2020: Hospitality Night

We welcomed our out of town guests. There were about 50 people who rode out Hurricane Delta. Thanks to all the members that showed up in the hurricane to welcome and serve our guests.

#### • Vice-President: John Berry (continued)

#### October 10, 2020: TCCC Car Show

After Hurricane Delta passed, it was a beautiful sunshiny day. We had 65 corvettes registered for the show, which is not bad due to Covid-19 and the hurricane. The purpose of the Corvette Show is to recognize our charities. The club raises funds all during the year and presents a check to each charity at the show. Our charities include the Buckner Children and Family Services, Humane Society of Southeast Texas, Jefferson County Foster Care, Lamar University Scholarship, Outdoor Association for True Heroes, (OATH), Southeast Texas Food Bank, and Texas Military Team

#### October 24, 2020: The Pink Power Cruise for the America Cancer Society

John wanted to thank all in the club that participated in the Pink Power Cruise. It was great to support a good cause and to represent our community. The TCCC made a \$1,000 donation to the America Cancer Society.

#### October 31, 2020:

The owner of Five Under in Beaumont has requested the TCCC to do a Show N Shine and Trunk & Treat Halloween Day. Thank you to all that showed up to support kids in our community. We had 13 corvettes and a lot of candy for the kids.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

#### November 21, 2020: Shawn & Misha Bruno Wine Event

The meats will be provided for the event. You can bring a side dish or dessert. Bring your lawn chairs for the bonfire.

#### November 28, 2020: Blue Santa Parade & Toy Drive

will be held from 10:00a to 2:00p. Registration is from 8:00a to 9:45a at Cavender's Boot City, (in front of Parkdale Mall) 6185 Eastex Freeway. Registration Fee: \$20:00 per car.

Channel 6 Toy Drive: is coming up and more information will follow.

#### Treasurer: Willa White

Willa presented the finance report for October, 2020. She shared the amount received from our sponsors and dues. Willa explained that we had lots of activity with our account due to the TCCC's 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show. The car show net income after expenses was over \$1,000, so we made a little bit of money from the car show. The biggest money makers were the silent auction and the registrations for the car show. Also, she shared that we wrote 2 checks to the charities who did not receive their donations in May, and presented our donations to each charity at the car show.

#### • Secretary: Glinda Pareso

The minutes can be located on the website newsletter, directly under the tab for minutes.

#### We had numerous correspondence addressed to our members:

A thank you note from Rickie & Cathy Knotts thanking us for the beautiful plant and to let us know that our kindness and thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated in the loss of Cathy's father.

We received a thank you letter from the Golden Triangle Foster Parent Association formally known as Jefferson County Foster Parent Association. They are one of our charities. They wanted to thank us for the \$1,000. donation we provided to them at the car show.

We received a Charity Application Form request from the 100 Club President. The 100 Club provides immediate financial assistance to the dependents spouse and children of officers and firefighters who have lost their life or are injured in the line of duty in Jefferson, Hardin, and Orange Counties. This application will be presented at the next board meeting and at the December meeting.

Also, we received a letter from the National Corvette Museum (NCM) for the Bricks & Dedication Opportunities to donate to the NCM. We will discuss this at the next board meeting.

#### • Board Member: Roger Ross

Roger was approached by the Blue Santa folks that host a parade every year. They are asking the TCCC to be a part of the Blue Santa Parade and Toy Drive. They are asking for \$20.00 donation per car that enters the parade, or they will give one rate for the club. More information to follow.

Roger shared some information about the Charity Application from the 100 Club President. He shared that when we have a fallen police officer or firefighter, the 100 Club provides \$50,000 immediately to the officer's family.

#### • Board Member: Rod Johnstone

Rod shared that they are planning the poker run. Please let him know if you have any restaurant suggestions for the poker run stops.

Rod wanted everyone to know that the 5 Under Golf Center really appreciated everyone who attended the Trunk and Treat. Rod thanked all the members for their support.

#### Board Member: Brad Metz

Brad brought a box full of pocket calendar planners donated by Gulf Credit Union. He ask everyone to please help yourself to the calendars. Also, he has coupons for Rao's Bakery so pick up some before you leave the meeting.

#### • Board Member: Coach Burgess

Coach shared his pleasure in representing the TCCC as the Chairperson for the Southeast Texas Food Bank and thanked everyone for the donations. We collected \$175.00 last meeting and Coach presented the check to the Food Bank.

Car Show: Coach was amazed at all the teamwork that occurred with every member to make the car show a great success. As a Coach, there was a saying on the board that stated "Do whatever it takes to win". He thought Glenn and Andrea did an excellent job in hosting our guests from the NCM. Coached thanked Mike White for his hard work to ensure the car show was a success. Thanks to Mike & Chad White for being the MCs. Mona Berry, Jane Barron, and Willa White did an outstanding job handling the registrations and judges' sheets. Thanks to Rod Johnstone & Charlie Barron for setting up and preparing the parking lot. Thanks to John Berry overseeing the judging and trophies. Thanks to all the judges who judged the cars. Rod and Bobbie Johnstone did an awesome job hosting the Valve Car Racing. Harry & Brenda & Tom helped with numerous things with the car show. Also thanks to Charlie LaRocca and Joey Catalano who assisted with setting up for each event and maintaining the time schedule. Thanks to Mike & Kim Merideth, David White, Kelly Cody, Willa White, Patricia McCullor for selling the raffle tickets for door prizes and split the pot. A big thanks go to Pat McCulley, Judy Snowden, and Phyllis Burgess for running the silent auction. Thanks to Brad and Lynn Metz setting up the food for hospitality night. Also, Ronnie Jones & Charlie Buteaud did an awesome job of taking photos of all the cars in the car show to be placed in their plaques. It was a "Touch Down" for our car show.

- National Corvette Museum (NCM) Glenn Johnson: Not in attendance, due to dental work.
- Newsletter: Jane Barron:

Jane shared she posted the October newsletter on the TCCC website and will be posting the November's newsletter soon. If you have any information or pictures, please forward them to her.

**Split the Pot:** Dan Pareso won split the pot for \$145.00.

Next TCCC Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, December 1, 2020.



## NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson, TCCC NCM Ambassador

#### November 2020

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For NCM information about the NCM visit the NCM website at www.corvettemuseum.org

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# For those TCCC members who have never been to the Corvette Assembly Plant

Click on the link below—Keep in mind
this is before the C7 ZR1 and the introduction
of the C8 Mid-Engine

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Z1cXW zLJo&app=desktop



## NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson, TCCC NCM Ambassador

#### November 2020

#### **Build Sheets & Window Stickers**

Your Corvette Collection just isn't complete without a copy of your build sheet and a reproduction window sticker! The National Corvette Museum offers build sheets and window stickers for any Corvette assembled in Bowling Green since the GM Plant opened in 1981.

#### **Build Sheets**

There's a lot of nifty paperwork associated with cars. Most people throw the stuff out shortly after buying their car but in some cases the original paperwork is still available with the car.

The Build Sheet, often considered "the holy grail" too many folks, is a cool item to find. It is often the only means of verifying exactly what options came with your particular car, and helps you determine how many Corvettes were produced exactly like yours. The build sheet is what goes down the line with the car when it is being assembled. It indicates to the line worker exactly what goes on that specific car.

Build sheets vary in size from year to year, 8½ X 11 up to 11 X 17 and you have the option for it to be laminated.

#### FAQ

#### Q. Does the build sheet contain the build date?

**A.** No. In 2006 the Assembly Plant quit putting dates of any type on the build sheet. Prior to that, the date on the build sheet was NOT the date the car was built, but the date the order was entered for production. It has been reported that it took 7-10 the working days from the time the order was entered until the Corvette rolled off the production line.

#### Q. Does the key code appear on the build sheet?

**A.** No. The key codes do not appear on the build sheets due to security reasons. Key codes can only be obtained through an authorized dealer.

#### Q. How can I obtain a build sheet for a Corvette built in St. Louis?

**A.** We do not know. We have been told by General Motors that all records from the St. Louis Plant were destroyed in a fire after the Assembly Plant was re-located to Bowling Green in mid-1981.

Build Sheet (Paper) – \$35 Members\* / \$45 Non-Members Additional Paper Copy – \$10 Members\* / \$12 Non-Members Lamination – \$5 each

#### \*eMemberships are excluded

Notice: we are missing the following build sheets for 1982 – VIN numbers 109001 thru 117800, 118201 thru 118400, 119201 thru 119800

#### **Window Sticker**

Also called a Monroney Label, this is the sticker that is affixed to a new car when it is delivered to the consumer. A law was passed by Congress in 1958 requiring all automobile manufacturers to affix a price label to all new automobiles showing Manufacturers Suggested Retail Prices for a vehicle and all options installed at the factory. This law was proposed by Senator John Monroney, and was to begin with new 1959 models.

If your car is a show car, this informational piece is a must! Some car shows such as Bloomington Gold require you to have a list of options on the car. What better way than a reproduction of the window sticker?

If you are ordering a reproduction window sticker, you must order the build sheet at the same time.

1981 – current Window Sticker/Build Sheet Combo – \$75 Member\* / \$90 Non-Members Additional Copy Window Sticker – \$10 Members\* / \$12 Non-Members Lamination – \$5

\*eMemberships are excluded



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