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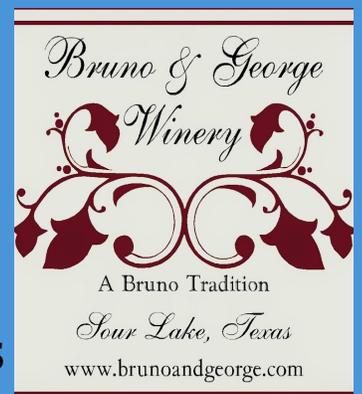
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# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

**Glinda Pareso**

**NOVEMBER 2023**

We had lots of events scheduled in October. I just wanted to thank the members who attended the different events we had scheduled. It is great to see our members support the clubs activities. Thank you to the Officers and Board Members for organizing each of the events for our club.

**There are a few members to thank for our past events:**

***TCCC just wanted to say thank you to Ray Long & Jenny for hosting the Long's Luau & Birthday Party on Saturday, October 14, 2023, and thank you for inviting the entire Tri-City Corvette Club.***

Everyone had a great time, and the roasted pig was delicious, along with all the food & desserts. The live band, "The B Side" played some great music for us. It was an excellent gathering with our friends to enjoy. Thank you so much Ray & Jenny. The TCCC appreciates you both.



**Also, in October the club did a Show & Shine to raise funds for Mary Emma. She is only 4 years old, and has Batten Disease that is incurable. The club was incredible as the club members donated funds to help raise the \$1,000 which was given to Mary and her family to help with the medical bills. Mary Emma's parents were thrilled with our donation. In addition, we had 24 Corvettes attend the Show & Shine. I just wanted to say thank you to each of you who attended and donated. This speaks volumes about the members of the TCCC. Thank You to each of you.**

**Big thank you to John Berry & Roger Ross for organizing the Tri-City Corvette Club's 2nd Annual Halloween Party on Saturday, October 28th. Also, thank you to Traci Tucker for letting us host our Halloween Party at Cotton Creek Winery. We had a good time, and there were some creative costumes.**

**Upcoming Events for November:**

**The TCCC has been invited to attend the Bruno & George Winery Annual Bonfire on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at the Bruno & George Winery.**

- Food served from 3pm to 6pm. This is open to all TCCC members so come and enjoy.
- Please bring a side dish, dessert, or a fruit or veggie tray
- There will be good food, wine, friendship, and the bonfire will be lit when it gets dark.
- Bring your chairs and bring your coats and blankets to stay warm if it gets cold.

**Note of Thanks: A big Thank You to Shawn & Misha Bruno, we appreciate you both so much for hosting this event for the last 24 years and having the Bonfire for the last 19 years.**

(President's Message continued)

**Thursday, November 23, 2023, Thanksgiving Day: Enjoy the time with your family and friends. Be thankful and just know that you are blessed!**

**Remember to join us on Saturday, November 25, 2023, Blue Santa Toy Run Parade at 9am at Cavender's, 6461 Eastex Fwy in Beaumont.**

- Blue Santa Toy Run, Registration from 8am to 9:45am.
- Blessings at 9:45am, Parade starts at 10am.
- The parade goes from Cavender's Boots to Cowboy Harley Davidson.

**December's Meeting: The Tri-City Corvette Club's monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 6pm and it will be held at [Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux for our Christmas Gathering for our members.](#)**

- Please remember to bring your Angel Tag gifts for Buckner's Foster Kids.
- We will be hosting a White Elephant Exchange. More information to follow.
- If you would like to bring any special cookies, candies, or cake to share with the members, you are more than welcome to bring a dessert.

**The location for our Christmas Gathering Meeting will be held at Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux 2729 Jimmy Johnson Blvd in Port Arthur.**

***A Sincere Thank You,***

***Glinda Pareso***

***President***

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# VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

October 2023 Meeting

## John Berry

We had 56 members at Nice Guy Ricky's Grill Tuesday night. It was nice to see guests Barbara White, Paula Joe Miller with her grandson Ralph and Sharon Sterns. Thank you for coming and spending the evening with us.

If you are 3 months away from your 1 year anniversary with the club, then get with Mike White to order your club jacket. This is a membership perk so don't miss out on a great club jacket.

### **Prayers & Thoughts:**

Please keep Lance Coleman in your prayers, which is the son of members Dan & Tammy Coleman as they are going through this very tough time. Please pray for Cecelia Mouton as she had a fall and injured her back. Also keep the Long and Merideth family in your prayers as well. God Bless!

### **Activities:**

We have several events for November so check out the Events' page and find one to participate in.

Congratulations to Donald Guest for November Member of The Month and well-deserved sir! Thank you for your help and being a strong club supporter and helping other members.

Half pot winner for November was Staci Cormier, winning \$155.00. Congrats Staci and now you have corvette parts money for Joy! LOL.



**Birthdays:** Kathy Woods, Lenora Robles, Pat McCulley, John Berry, Kim Merideth, Lee Dawson, Issac Barbosa, Chris Comier, Charlie Buteaud and Jeff Breaux. **Happy Birthday to you Corvetters!**

### **Anniversaries:**

Brent & Lisa Coon (12 years)	.Craig & Nancy Horn (12)
Terry & Teresa Long (20)	Ben & Nancy Harper (40)
Joe & Kathy Vargas (41)	Harry & Brenda Nichols (56)
Henry & Judy Morton (62)	

### **Happy Anniversary!!!**

**Tech Corner:** As cooler weather is upon us and you drive your Corvette, make sure that the tire pressure is adjusted as cold weather will reduce your pressure.

Thank you all and have a great month.

*John Berry*

TCCC, Vice President

*"Be Kind its Free."*

## PIZZA ARTISTA SHOW & SHINE

OCTOBER 7, 2023



## TCCC SHOW & SHINE FOR MARY EMMA

OCTOBER 21, 2023



## PNG HOMECOMING PARADE OCTOBER 16, 2023





## TCCC HALLOWEEN PARTY

OCTOBER 28, 2023



## ORANGEFIELD HOMECOMING

PARAGE

OCTOBER 13, 2023



## Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2023

### PRESIDENT GLINDA PARESO

President Glinda Pareso called the meeting to order. Max Dawson offered the opening prayer, and the membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Glinda welcomed everyone and recognized guests, Paula Jo Miller & grandson, Ralph, Sharon Starns, Lily Leis, Jolene Johnson and Barbara White.

**Good News/Bad News:** Glinda asked the membership to keep our members who are sick in their thoughts and prayers. Mrs. Mouton recently fell and also Dan and Tammy Coleman's son, Lance, is still having serious issues following his accident.

Glinda also noted the jar for donations to the SETX Food Bank and also Angel Tags for Buckner's children. She asked that the members take one or more angel tags and purchase the item that the child is requesting and bring them unwrapped to the membership meeting in December. Glinda then called for any veterans present to come to the stage to be recognized. We have a number of veterans and the following members who are veterans gave a brief synopsis of their service; Dan and Glinda Pareso, Roger Ross, Charlie Barron, Max Dawson, Lynn Snowden, Bill Hammond, Henry Morton, Mike Burgess, Wes Spincic, and Ted Harp. The membership thanked them for their service with a standing ovation.

### OFFICER/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- **VICE PRESIDENT JOHN BERRY:** John Berry recognized our Member of the Month, Donald Guest and presented him with 10 free raffle tickets. John thanked Donald for his involvement in TCCC and his caring concern for the membership. John gave a brief report on the referral program. He is still leading with 5 referrals followed by Terry Long with 3, Glinda with 2 and Duncan with one. John then recited the list of past events and it was a busy month for our club. A lot of participation and fun was had by all who joined in on one, a couple or all. For a complete list, please see the Vice Presidents letter in the TCCC Newsletter. Among those events we took part in was a fundraiser for a family in need. TCCC raised \$1000.00 to help the family and their sick child. We also had a wonderful Halloween party at Cotton Creek Winery with Dan Pareso winning the prize for best costume (The Pumpkin King) and the trivia winners were Roger Ross, Mona Berry and Jeff Curl. John also recognized birthdays for the month and those celebrating anniversaries. For a list of those, again, see John's letter in our newsletter.
- **SECRETARY LIZ HANLEY:** Liz Hanley reported mail that had been received. There was a lovely thank you card from Buckner's Children's Home and magazines and discount coupons from the NCM. She also made a correction to last months minutes. In Coach's report, she put the name of Virginia Sparks as the contact person for the SETX Food Bank and that needs to read Jimmy Sparks. This notice will serve as the correction. She then asked if there were any other changes and there being none, Roger moved we accept the minutes as corrected and Coach seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **TREASURER MONA BERRY:** Mona Berry gave a financial report to those present. We are in sound financial shape going forward.
- **BOARD MEMBER COACH BURGESS:** Coach reported that due to liability concerns we could not hold a food drive at the local grocery chains. He asked the board to approve placing a donation jar at the November and December membership meetings and it was approved. Tonight at the meeting \$326.00 was donated. Coach noted that the food bank will try to open a resource center in Jasper early next spring.
- **BOARD MEMBER CHRIS CORMIER:** Chris Cormier reported that he had been shadowing Mike and learning the ropes and the people that it takes to make the TCCC car show a success. He said everything is in order and that right now all he needs are red raffle tickets and some new traffic cones.
- **BOARD MEMBER JOHN DECKER:** John Decker was unable to attend.
- **BOARD MEMBER BRAD METZ:** Brad Metz was unable to attend but sent word that he has a commitment from Mackenzie Phillips to attend our car show as well as Ghetto Bob and Ryan Evans. He also reported that we had received the sponsors money from Kelly Sterling Bradley in memory of Sterling Bradley.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

- **BOARD MEMBER DAN PARESO:** Dan Pareso reported he has a brand new 2023 Corvette. Reminded everyone of the ROMEO outings. The next outing will be to the new Riverside Grill on Crockett Street. Dan reported that he had collected a total of 522 pounds of dog and cat food. Awesome.
- **BOARD MEMBER & ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR ROGER ROSS:** Roger Ross reported on upcoming events. He posts all the events on our Facebook page, our website page and in our newsletter. He is constantly updating so make it a habit to check often. Shawn and Misha Bruno are holding their 19th annual bonfire event at the Bruno and George Winery on November 18th. The event begins at 3pm and food will be served from 3-6pm and the bonfire will be lit at dark. The invitation is open to all TCCC members. Bruno also informed the membership that they are going to have a wine tasting on 12-9 from 1 to 3 and it will be free to all TCCC members. Roger wished everyone a happy holiday. Roger reminded us of the Blue Santa Toy Run on 11-26-23.
- **PAST PRESIDENT & MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MIKE WHITE:** Mike White reported that Donalson Motors will sponsor the Spin the Wheel game for a chance to win a new Corvette at the TCCC Car Show next May. He also informed the membership that the media, Fox 4, Channel 6, will be at 5 Point Credit Union in mid-county. He will work on trying to get a Beaumont location. He asked if any member needed a name tag. Mike said he is also checking on the Toy Drive and will let us know.
- **SUPPORT STAFF AND COMMITTEES:** Support staff that was present had nothing new to report.
- **NCM AMBASSADOR GLENN JOHNSON:** Glenn was unable to attend.

John Berry asked 5 trivia questions about Halloween and the winners were Chris Pareso, Sharlene Hammond, John Kupper, Roger Ross and Willa White. Raffle winners were Staci Cormier, Eddie Leis, Patricia McCullough, Julie Walker(x2), Doug DeVaugh, Donald Guest and Lenora Robles.

Glinda thanked everyone for attending and asked if there was any other business. There being none, Roger moved we adjourn and Gene Van Meter seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Raffle & Split the Pot:** Split the Pot Winner was Staci Cormier who won \$155.00 .

**Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 5 at Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux**

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



## NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson,  
TCCC NCM Ambassador

### November 2023

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  - \* No food or drink
  - \* No walking assists (canes, crutches, etc.)
- Other important information
  - \* Tours are now 90 minutes long; previously, they were an hour in length
  - \* Tour groups are limited to 15 people; previously, it was groups of 25
  - \* Tours will now operate whether the line is operational or idle
  - \* We have permission to conduct tours during a portion of the second shift; this will allow us to extend tours till 4:45 (ending time) if we can staff and it is needed.

(NCM Corner continued)

- \* Tours will go out every 30 minutes, beginning at 8:15 am
- \* There will be limited locker rental availability for a fee
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