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# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

## Glinda Pareso

#### **NOVEMBER 2022**

All the Officers and Board Members would like to tell you how much we appreciate everything our members do for our club. Your generosity and hard work are very much appreciated. We have had an amazing 2022 and look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.

We had lots of enjoyable activities and events scheduled for the last several months. I just wanted to thank all the members who supported and attended the different events.

Also, big thank you to Officers and Board Members for their support, hard work and organizing each of the events for our club. I would like to thank each of you for your leadership, your ideas, and your dedication to take the Tri-City Corvette Club to new heights.



**December Meeting:** The Tri-City Corvette Club (TCCC) monthly meeting was held at <u>Walk On's</u> on December 6, 2022, and we hosted our Christmas Gathering.

Thank you to Tamara Jerrell from the Southeast Texas Food Bank, for sharing some important information about the Food Bank. The Food Bank is one of our charities and we look forward to continuing to work with the Food Bank for the new year.

Thank you, the members who brought in toys for the children to support the KFDM/Fox 4 Toy Feast drive that was held on Friday, December 9, 2022. All the toys we collected will assist in giving children a gift for Christmas and put a smile on their face and in their hearts. Thank you to each of you for your generosity for all the toys that were donated.

Also, thank you to all the members who supported the Vettes for Pets. We appreciate all the pet food and pet items that you donated. Thank you for showing up for the show and shine to support the Vettes for Pets. Your generosity is very much appreciated, and you have helped one of our charities, the Southeast Texas Humane Society.

To the Members: Our next general membership meeting will be held Tuesday, January 3, 2023, eat & socialize at 6PM and meeting is at 7pm. This meeting will be held at Sombrero's Mexican Grill, 2095 US 69 Access Rd N, Nederland, TX 77627.

It is great to have Members, Officers and Board Members supporting the club. Thank you to each of our members and thank you for all that you do for the club.

Please keep those members who are going through hard times, those who are fighting cancer or illness, and those who are having family struggles in our prayers. Let the Lord be with each of these members and give them strength to overcome and to be healed and well again.

(President's Message continued)

Have a wonderful Christmas and enjoy the time with your family. Have a Happy and Safe New Years, and we look forward to seeing each of you in the New Year of 2023.

A Sincere Thank You,

Glinda Pareso
President
Tri-City Corvette Club

# VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

# Roger Ross

#### Corvette Crew:

I want to start by saying that I hope you all had an enjoyable family filled Thanksgiving. With Christmas and 2023 right around the corner, I hope all of your holiday plans are falling right into place. I also want to thank our beloved President for all of her hard work in setting up for a December membership meeting. Glinda went to a lot of time, effort and expense to make it a special night for all of us. Speaking of extra effort, I must also thank Patricia McCullor for the delicious homemade candy that she brought to the meeting. Talk about good! Thank you ladies for creating such an enjoyable evening.

I would also like to extend a special welcome to our soon to be new member Eddie Leis. I say "soon to be new member" because I don't think Eddie has missed a single event since he first showed up on November 12th. One more meeting and he will be in! Thanks for your participation brother and welcome.

Now let's talk about some past events! In case you missed them, here are some highlights.



On November 5th, Karen Cauthen and The Lion King braved some bad weather to attend the 33rd Annual Bayou State Corvette Club's Corvette Show. As usual, she brought home some new trophies for 1st place in the Modified Class and the award for the Best Themed Display. Congratulations Karen and thanks for representing the club so well.

Also on the 5th, Patricia McCullor, Judy Snowden, John Decker and John Berry participated in the Lumberton High School's Annual Operation Graduation Car Show. All four members picked up new hardware in their respective classes. Way to roll guys and gals!

Seventeen (17) TCCC Corvettes rolled out to Claiborne Park in Vidor to support the Veterans 4 Veterans Veteran's Day Picnic and Show & Shine on November 12th. What an awesome day it was honoring the folks who have served our great nation and kept her safe.

A few members went over to Gulfport, Mississippi for the Veterans Giving Back Car Show, which was also on the 12th. Karen Cauthen, Gracie Mott and Joe Robles all captured new awards at that event. Good job folks!

While heading back, Karen Cauthen learned of the Crosses and Cars Car Show at a friend's church in Louisiana on the 13th. She entered The Lion King and yes you guessed it, she captured The Best of Show Award!

On the 19th, Shawn Bruno and The Bruno and George Winery held their Annual Bonfire. In keeping with the theme of the month, the weather was not particularly cooperative but those attending made the best of it and had a great time. Once again Mike White ran the grill and turned out some pretty good cuisine. I think the guests may have finished off a bottle of wine or two as well.

On November 20th, it was time to roll out and support one of our sponsors. Extreme Detail held their open car show and 17 Tri City Corvettes were on display. The show was used to raise toy donations for underprivileged children and they collected a bundle of them. Good job Luis!

(Vice-President's Message continued)

Weather definitely seemed to be our nemesis this month for sure and that was no more evident than on the 26th, when they were forced to cancel the Blue Santa Toy Run Parade. However, that cancellation did not stop 14 club members from showing up at Cowboy Harley to support the cause. We enjoyed live music, food, raffles and multiple silent auctions.

As you can see, last month was loaded with fun opportunities for you to enjoy your car and your club! Now if you missed those events, be sure to check out the club's Facebook and Events pages (https://tricitycorvetteclub.com/events), because there are several more opportunities in the near future for you to join in. Now......if you don't use Facebook, e-mail or the internet, you can always call me directly at (409) 673-5447 and ask me personally what's happening in our area. I will tell you what I know.

Well......there you have it! If you learn of any other events in the area that might interest the club, please contact John Berry or myself and let us know about them, so we can add them to the events pages.

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

#### **December Birthdays**

**Dwight Courts** 

Brenda Nichols

Irene Barbosa

Shawn Bruno

Cathy Long

Karen Cauthen

**Beverly Broussard** 

Joe Vargas

#### **December Anniversaries**

Michelle & Ken Dollinger Andrea & Glenn Johnson Bobbi & Rod Johnstone

Kathy & Ronnie Woods

# 5 UNDER TRUNK OR TREAT PARTY NOVEMBER 30, 2022









# EXTREME DETAIL CAR SHOW NOVEMBER 20, 2022





# BLUE SANTA TOY RUN NOVEMBER 26, 2022







# VETERAN'S DAY PICNIC NOVEMBER 12, 2022





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

December 6, 2022

#### PRESIDENT GLINDA PARESO

Glinda Pareso, called the meeting to order. John Berry offered a prayer to open the meeting, we had a moment of silence for all those who have served and are currently serving, and the membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **WELCOME GUESTS**

Glinda welcomed new members as well as guests.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

We had a guest speaker, Tamara Sparks, from the Southeast Texas Food Bank. She spoke briefly about the services the Food Bank provides the community and also thanked TCCC for their continuing generosity. She stated to the membership that the food bank would be honored and excited to hold an event to help promote our club as well as hopefully boost awareness and donations for the food bank. Coach announced TCCC will no longer collect donations at the monthly meeting.

#### **GOOD NEWS/SAD NEWS**

Glinda informed the membership that there are several members dealing with really serious illnesses and asked that we all keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

She asked if there were any veterans in attendance at this meeting that were not at the last meeting, they should see her and get their pins of appreciation.

#### OFFICER/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- VICE PRESIDENT ROGER ROSS: Roger Ross gave the Vice-presidents report. He reported on several of the events during the month of November. He informed the membership that many of the TCCC members brought home some really nice hardware form various events. He had Ray Long tell us about his and Jenny's recent experience racing their car. Ray invited everyone to try the course and stated that everyone they encountered was very nice. Roger then recognized the birth-days and anniversaries for the month of November.
- **SECRETARY LIZ HANLEY**: Liz Hanley informed the membership that a very gracious letter had been received from the Humane Society thanking our membership for their donations to help repair their vans. The donations were collected at the Vettes 4 Vets picnic. She asked if anyone had any corrections, additions or deletions to the minutes from the previous membership meeting. There were none and Roger made a motion that we accept the minutes as written and publish in the newsletter. Coach seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- **TREASURER MONA BERRY**: Mona Berry gave an overview of the finances. We are in solid shape financially, and will be able to meet our car show expenses as well as our charitable donations.
- **BOARD MEMBER & ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR JOHN BERRY:** John Berry reminded the membership that 12-10-2022, was the Vettes for Pets Show and Shine at Petsmart on Dowlen Road. John also reminded everyone of the Toy Feast on 12-9-2022. He also stated that he was looking at planning an activity for sometime in January. Will inform membership.
- **BOARD MEMBER MICHAEL MERIDETH:** Michael Meredith informed the membership that Paul Enterkin, a former member, had passed away. Lynn Snowden offered hospitality to anyone caring to attend the services for Paul. He encouraged the membership TO participate in the Vettes for Pets this coming weekend.
- PAST PRESIDENT MIKE WHITE: Mike White informed us that there were 50 members present and 3 guests. He is working hard to get all the information on the membership list updated and current. He will probably begin having committee meetings in January for the car show.

Glinda asked if any member had any input or business they would like to discuss and there membership meeting will be January 3, 2023, and will be held at Sombrero's at the usual time	(Meeting Minutes continued) e was nothing. The next scheduled ne.
A motion to close the meeting was made by Roger Ross, and Brenda Nichols seconded the motion.	



# **NCM Corner**

Glenn Johnson, TCCC NCM Ambassador

### December 2022

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#### Classic Glass Corvette Club of Marietta, Georgia Raises funds for the National Corvette Museum

# Classic Glass Corvette Club Breaks Records At Annual 2022 VetteStock Event



L to R – Sharon Brawner – President & CEO of NCM, CGCC members – Dana, P.J., David, & Hillary

Image courtesy of Classic Glass Corvette Club

Core to our American zeitgeist is the adage, "Records are made to be broken."

At least, that's what they believe at *Classic Glass Corvette Club of Marietta*. In many ways, 2022 will go down as a milestone year for this energetic group of Corvette enthusiasts.

As you might recall, earlier in May this year, their **39th Annual SuperVette Saturday** event set an all-time attendance record. They followed that success with this VetteStock show which also set an all-time attendance record.

Beyond the sheer number of Corvettes in attendance, the show raised over \$10,500 in donations for the *National Corvette Museum (NCM)*. In fact, VetteStock is a day-long celebration whose goal is to bring Corvette enthusiasts together and raise money for the NCM.

(NCM Corner continued)



# Museum In Motion Dragon Run Presented By Michelin May 1st – May 4<sup>th</sup>

Spring in the Smokies, Tail of the Dragon and Biltmore all combined in one great MiM tour! Once again we hit the road, leaving Bowling Green and heading East to run the famous TN-129, aka Tail of the Dragon. This year again, we will be staying at the beautiful Biltmore Inn on the Biltmore Estate grounds. The Monday Biltmore visit includes a specially arranged early morning photo op of the cars in front of the manor house followed by breakfast in the Biltmore Stable Café adjacent to the house. New friends will be made while enjoying one of the most beautiful areas of the country during the colorful spring season. **GPS as well as two-way radios are highly recommended!** 

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(NCM Corner continued)

#### **Corvette Wave Rules**

The **Corvette Wave** is an integral part of the mystique and culture of the Corvette owner experience. Corvette owners who wave at fellow Corvette owners when they pass on the road, show a mark of recognition that you are among the elite group of intelligent people who are driving America's True Sports Car. And as a member of this elite group, you should be recognized for your poise and intelligence. So for those who don't know the five simple Corvette Wave rules, here they are:

#### 1. There is no excuse for not waving at your fellow Corvette owner.

Although most Corvette owners have the class and understanding to accept when their wave is not returned, not waving is a serious breach of proper Corvette etiquette.

#### 2. Whoever sees the other Corvette first, starts the wave.

There isn't any rule about who waves first. This is simple; if you see another Corvette, wave!

#### 3. Rules 1 and 2 apply to both sexes.

As far as who starts the wave, it doesn't make a difference if you are a man or women. Rules 1 and 2 apply.

#### 4. Any type of wave is okay.

Whether you shoot a big wave up through your open Vette top, out the window, or a quick salute with your hand on the steering wheel, any wave that can be seen by the other Corvette driver is okay. However, this does not include any style of jester that can be interpreted as obscene or insulting. Remember, Corvette owners are a class act; while someone might have been rude or stupid to you, try not to return the favor. (This is a tough rule not to break with all the stupid drivers who manage to get a driver's license.)

#### 5. A late wave is better than no wave.

If you suddenly realize that a Corvette driver is passing and waving at you, get a wave off as soon as possible. The other Corvette driver may see your wave in their rear view mirror and realize that you where just a little late in getting your wave going. Although missing the timing of your wave is a "goof," getting off a wave that the other Corvette driver has a chance to see can acceptably cover this slip-up. So you can see the underlying concept here is simple:

Wave at your fellow Corvette owners,

whoever they are, whenever you see them.









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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.