

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.

Moore Chevrolet-Buick-GMC- Cadillac of Silsbee

Gulf Federal Credit Union

Thermacon Service Company - our newest sponsor

(Located at 255-I 10 S, Beaumont Texas, telephone 866.797.1535)

Bradley's Collision Center

TWFG Insurance Services, Terry Cauthen

Elite Auto Shield

Website: Mike thanked Terry Cauthen for all his help with the website.

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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 26th 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.

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- **Vice-President: John Berry (continued)**

October 10, 2020: TCCC Car Show

After Hurricane Delta passed, it was a beautiful sunny 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 26th 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.

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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.

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- **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.