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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Mike White

We had 63 in attendance at the Tri City Corvette Club Meeting at Sombrero Mexican Grill in Nederland November 2, 2021. It is great to see more members getting involved in the meetings and activities. Thank you members.

Every Tri-City Corvette Club monthly meeting we start with a moment of silence for our fallen officers, service personnel and all that serve us in uniform today. Keep them in your prayers. We then follow with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The club welcomed our guests, Jeff Curl and friend of Roger Ross. Jeff has a C8 on order. Also welcome to Pete Stalginski, a friend of Jerry and Pat McCulley. Pete is in the market for a C5. Welcome to all our guests.



Congratulations to our new members: Darrin Nepinsk and Darlene Copeland. Darrin has been to many meetings and events with the club. He recently moved from Louisiana to Texas. Darlene and Larry Copeland were married August 1st, so now Darlene has become a member of the TCCC. Welcome and hope our new members enjoy the club.

The club jackets have been ordered and hopefully will be received in the next few weeks. If you did not have a chance to place your order, we can still get individual jackets later. Thank you Rod Johnstone for making this happen.

Karen Cauthen had surgery for a torn meniscus. We are all praying for a speedy recovery. Coach saw a pulmonologist. He has a referral to his gastroenterologist. After all testing is complete, they may consider a referral to Houston. At this time he will continue his breathing treatments, pureed diet and speech therapies.

Roger Rosses Vice-President's report in the Newsletter has all the upcoming events, so please read for updates.

For details of the November 2, Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting, please read the meeting minutes in this newsletter by Glinda Pareso. Thank you Glinda for great details of the meeting. This helps all our members to understand what goes on in the monthly meetings if they are unable to attend. Again I would like to thank all for attending the meeting and signing in every meeting. This will help us keep track of the perfect attendance awards at the Annual Banquet.

Congratulations to Kerry Serafino, winner of the ½ pot \$170.

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

See you at our next monthly meeting December 7, 2021 at Sombrero Mexican Restaurant in Nederland.

Thank You,

Mike White

TCCC President

VICE-PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

Roger Ross

Greetings TCCC Members!

As usual, I would like to begin by welcoming our newest TCCC members, Darlene Copeland and Darrin Nepinsk. Welcome aboard guys! I look forward to getting to know each of you better soon.

Once again, the club has had amazing turnouts for events. First, board member John Berry organized a Drive & Dine to the Top Water Grill in San Leon. John planned a route through the country side that with the excellent weather, could not have been better. It was my first time to the Top Water Grill and I recommend you take a drive there if you've never been. The food, the views and the atmosphere were all excellent. It was simply a great day with good friends!

Twelve (12) Corvettes from the club and 7 from Big Boys Toyz participated in the Westbrook High School Homecoming Parade in October. Furthermore, 5 TCCC members also participated in the Vidor High School Homecoming Parade during the month. The kids loved their high class rides and the club members had a great time.



Be sure to regularly check out the club's Facebook and Events pages (https://tricitycorvetteclub.com/events), so you can stay apprised of your opportunities to participate. Here's a few upcoming events for your calendars.

November 13th - Lamar University Show & Shine in Beaumont

- (The event is 1PM 4PM.)
- (Corvettes should arrive at Lamar's John Gray Library at 12:30PM for set up.)

November 13th - Journey Church Show & Shine in Lumberton

- (This event starts at 3PM)

November 20th - The Annual Bruno Winery Bonfire in Sour Lake

- (The event starts at 3PM, with food available until 6PM) (Bring chairs)

November 27th - 2021 Beaumont Police Department's Blue Santa Toy Run Parade

- (Meet at Cavender's Boot City in Beaumont)
- (Registration begins at 8AM and the parade starts at 10AM)

Also, don't forget to go on the events page and get registered for the 28th Annual TCCC Show in May, 2022. It's never too early to make a plan!

In closing, be sure to wish all the folks listed a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary when you see them.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger M. Ross

Vice President Tri City Corvette Club

November Birthdays

Kathy Woods Lenora Robles

Pat McCulley

John Berry Kim Merideth

Isaac Barbosa

Charlie Buteaud

Jeff Breaux

November Anniversaries

Nancy & Craig Horn Nancy & Ben Harper Kathy & Joe Vargas Brenda & Harry Nichols

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Tri-City Corvette Club 28th Annual Corvette Show

Registration \$30 pre-register or online tricitycorvetteclub.com \$35.00 day of the show May 14, 2022. \$10.00 for any additional vehicles. To qualify for this discount, the vehicles must be owned by the same person. This form is to register for the show only.

Please register online at https://tricitycorvetteclub.com/event-4547347 Registration Form

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2. Stock C2	1963-1967	16. Custom C2	1963-1967
3. Stock C3	1968-1982	17. Custom C3	1968-1982
4. Stock C4	1984-1996	18. Custom C4	1984-1996
5. Stock C5	1997-2004	19. Custom C5	1997-2004
6. Stock C5 ZO6	1997-2004	20. Custom C5 Z06	1997-2004
7. Stock C6	2005-2013	21. Custom C6	2005-2013
8. Stock C6 Grandsport	2005-2013	22. Custom C6 Grandsport	2005-2013
9. Stock C6 Z06 & ZR1	2006-2013	23. Custom C6 Z06 & ZR1	2005-2013
10. Stock C7	2014 - 2019	24. Custom C7	2014 - 2019
11. Stock C7 Grandsport	2014-2019	25. Custom C7 Grandsport	2014-2019
12. Stock C7 Z06 & ZR1	2014-2019	26. Custom C7 Z06 & ZR1	2014-2019
13. Stock C8 Coupe	2020-2022	27. Custom C8 Coupe	2020-2022
14. Stock C8 Convertible	2020-2022	28. Custom C8 Convertible	2020-2022
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Signature:	Date

VIDOR HOMECOMING PARADE—October 22







TRUNK OR TREAT—October 30











BAYOU STATE CAR SHOW—November 6





The winner of the TCCC trophy - Jerry Martinez.

TCCC winners—Mike White won first place in the C2 custom class; Joe Vargas took second in the C5 stock class; John Decker won second in the C8 stock class and Roger Ross won second in the C4 stock class.



Tri-City Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

Date: November 2, 2021 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. He then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome members:

Mike White said it is great to see everyone, and he appreciated everyone coming to the meeting. We had 63 members in attendance.

Welcome Guests:

- Mike welcomed Jeff Curl, who has a C-8 on order and can't wait till it comes in for delivery. This was Jeff's first
 meeting.
- Mike also welcomed Pete Stalginski to his first meeting. Pete is looking for a Corvette to purchase. He was glad he could attend the meeting to start getting to know about the TCCC.
- Darrin Nepinsk has attended several meetings and events. He was voted in as a new member of the TCCC.
- Darlene Copeland, who is married to Larry Copeland was also voted in as a new member of the TCCC.

Old Business:

Rod Johnstone brought in several different sized jackets for the men and women to try on so that the jackets can be ordered.

Good News/Sad News:

- Joe from Boss Burger is finally coming home from rehab, and he is recovering from having Covid-19 that took him down. It is a blessing to see Joe on road to becoming healthy again.
- Please keep Coach and Phyllis in your prayers while he continues to go through testing and while the medical team finds a solution to help Coach get well.
- Karen Cauthen had surgery for a torn meniscus and tears in her ACL. Keep her in your prayers for a quick recovery.
- Mike White thanked Bryan Serafino for keeping the events on our website updated.

Sponsors:

Mike recognized our sponsors and thanked them 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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TWFG Insurance Services: Terry Cauthen
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Mike shared the list of charities that we donate to annually:

- * Buckner Children and Family Services
- * Humane Society of Southeast Texas
- * Jefferson County Child Welfare
- * Outdoor Association for True Heroes, "OATH"
- * The American Cancer Society
- * The Blue Santa Program

- * Southeast Texas Food Bank
- * Lamar University Scholarships
- * Texas Military Honors Team
- * 100 Club
- * The National Corvette Museum

Vice-President: Roger Ross

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Roger recognized the members who are celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries for the month of November, 2021.

Past Events: Roger Ross provided an overview of past events.

Saturday, October 9—Top Water Grill Run

Roger wanted to thank John Berry for setting up this run to the Top Water Grill in San Leon, Texas. We had 18 Vettes and lots of members who had a great time. Thanks again John and all who helped with the run.

Monday, October 11—West Brook High School Homecoming Parade

Roger shared that we had 12 TCCC Corvettes and 7 Corvettes from Big Boys Toyz for the West Brook Homecoming Parade. The student who was recognized enjoyed riding in the Corvette.

Elite Auto Shield 3rd Annual Car Show originally scheduled for Oct 31, has been rescheduled for March 26, 2022.

Sunday, October 31—Trunk or Treat at 5 Under Golf

Roger thanked Rod Johnstone for setting up the Trunk or Treat. We had 16 Vettes and 3 other cars attend the Trunk or Treat. We handed out plenty of candy to a lot of children using Corvettes dressed up in neat costumes.

Upcoming Events: Roger Ross shared information about our upcoming events:

Saturday, November 6-32nd Annual Bayou State Corvette Show

We will meet at 6:30 at Luby's in Beaumont to drive over as a group.

Mike White shared that the members of the Annual Bayou State Corvette Club had a harder time getting sponsors for their car show since the hurricane hit that area. Mike recommended that the TCCC make a larger donation this year to Bayou State Corvette Club.

Saturday, November 13-Lamar Show & Shine

Lamar requested we set up a Show & Shine in front of the library instead of having the homecoming parade.

November 13—Journey Church

Journey Church in Lumberton will host their monthly Car Show at 3pm.

Saturday, November 20—Bruno 21st Annual Bon Fire Gathering

The bon fire starts at 3:00pm with food available till 6:00pm. If you would like something grilled, please bring it, however there will be plenty of food provided. You can bring dessert if desired. The bon fire will be held in the evening. Remember to bring your lawn chairs.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

Treasurer – Willa White

Willa provided an overview of the finance report for October.

• <u>Secretary – Glinda Pareso</u>

Glinda recommended for Thanksgiving and Christmas that we take the time to recognize our sponsors who support us through the year by doing a small act of kindness like bringing a box of donuts or cookies with a thank you note to each sponsor.

Board Member – Rod Johnstone

Rod Johnstone shared that everyone has tried on a jacket that attended the meeting or met him at Fuzzy's. There are a few members Rod will contact about the jackets before he places the order. Rod also thanked the members for coming to Fuzzy's to try on the jackets and socialize.

Rod shared that the Trunk or Treat for the children on Sunday, October 31 at the 5 Under Golf Club turned out great. We had 16 Corvettes and 3 other vehicles in attendance. He shared that there were a lot of children who attended the Trunk or Treat and that we gave out so much candy that they had to buy more candy. Rod wanted to thank all the members who attended the Trunk or Treat.

Board Member – Coach Burgess

Rod Johnstone spoke for Coach since he has a hard time talking right now. Rod shared that Coach presented a check for \$188.00 to the Southeast Texas Food Bank from our October meeting. Rod thanked all the members for their generosity. The Food Bank was very appreciative of our donation.

Board Member – John Berry

John shared that Saturday, November 2 is the 32nd Annual Bayou State Corvette Show. For those members who are attending, please meet at 6:30am at Luby's in Beaumont to go to the show as a group.

John shared that Darrin has some window stickers with TCCC and Texas on them. If you are interested, please see Darrin after the meeting.

John thanked Rod Johnstone for organizing and getting the jackets so that every member could try them on before ordering them for all the club members.

Board Member and Marketing Chair – Brad Metz

Brad shared that TWFG Insurance Service, Terry Cauthen is one of our Sponsors and a TCCC Member. Terry provided his donation for the year to sponsor the TCCC. Brad thanked Terry for sponsoring us.

• National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report - Glenn Johnson

Glenn and Andrea are on vacation. Even though Andrea was not here, Mike White wanted to recognize and thank Andrea, for having new flyers made for our Annual Car Show. Andrea, we appreciate your hard work.

• <u>Newsletter Editor - Jane Barron</u> Jane shared that she has purchased the computer to be used for our TCCC Annual Car Show registration.

Scholarship Committee for Lamar University - Cathy Long

The Lamar Homecoming parade scheduled for November 13, 2021 was changed to a Show & Shine since some of the band and other members from Lamar will be out of town. Lamar asked the TCCC to participate in the Show & Shine from 1pm to 4pm.

(Meeting Minutes continued)

Thanks to Pat, Andrea, and Willa for selling the split the pot tickets. Thanks to Rod Johnstone for handling the drawing for the split the pot.

Split the Pot: \$170 won by Kerry Serafino

Judy Snowden recommended we close the TCCC Meeting and Brad Metz seconded the motion.

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at Sombrero Mexican Grill

6:00pm dinner

7:00pm meeting



NCM Corner

Glenn Johnson, TCCC NCM Ambassador

November 2021

Build Sheets & Window Stickers

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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. <u>No</u>. 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

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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

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