



# Beyond the Glass

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February 2023 Newsletter

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

## February Birthdays

6	Gary Thompson
8	Jan Airy
11	Darrell Hatchel
12	John Watertor
22	Bard Colby

## From the President's Desk



*Welcome to the February edition of our club newsletter. Well, it is a good thing we put our "rides" away for the winter. Those sub zero temperatures and drifting snow would have made driving a challenge. More snow and more cold. But, just imagine the Spring when the weather warms up for us.*

Club activities will still be a little slow for the month. Dairy Queen locations are closed until March 1<sup>st</sup>.

### CRCC Cruise Night

**February 14th:** Jim has reserved available seats for you at Napoli's Italian Restaurant at **5:30 PM**. We will be able to order off the menu.

<https://www.napolimarian.com/>

*Jim needs an RSVP (that means tell Jim you are planning to attend).*

## February Anniversaries

14	Larry and Carol Knapp

### CRCC Thank you

Chuck, thanks for all the updates on "car stuff" at the Corvette factory and museum. Good stuff. Also, some really good posts on FaceBook of YouTube videos of the factory (Gary).

### CRCC Honor Flight

The Eastern Iowa Honor Flight organization will be dedicating the April 25, 2023 Honor Flight to the Cedar Rapids Corvette Club. The EIHF folks want to thank the CRCC for all the years of supporting the Veterans. They opened up ten (10) seats for CRCC members. To date, we have four (4) members planning to attend. If you are still interested in attending, please get your name to Geof Knoerzer, Bob Bowen or John Dolphin this week.

### CRCC Crusin' the Ave Charity Car Show

Paul Hildebrand and I are working to transition the car show for 2023. As mentioned in an earlier note, we are scaling back the work effort on the show. Paul and I are meeting with Bob Bowen and Mike Williams to kick around ideas for this year. If you want to join us for a quick meeting on Thursday or Friday, give us a shout.

### CRCC 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Information

Diane Bowen is coordinating a committee to work on our anniversary celebration activities this year. If you want to join in and help, give Diane a call. The first order of club 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shirts were delivered at the meeting. Bernie is trying to get more shirt orders in before placing the next order. Order quickly so you have your shirt when we plan our Spring picture of Corvettes and members for publication.

### **CRCC Birthdays and Anniversaries**

If you would like to include your Birthday or Anniversary date(s) for the club, please drop me a note so I can update the club lists.

### **Just to Mention.....**

Continue to check the club website for planned activities and updates.  
Diane Bowen will be running the February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

*Geof*

Geoffrey Knoerzer  
President  
Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

## **February 16, 2023 meeting agenda**

Welcome members and Guests.

Vote in potential new members.

Good & Wellness.

Secretary report, review and approve the previous meeting's secretary report.

Treasurer report, review and approve the financial report.

Officer's reports.

Committee report.

Old business:

New business:

50/50 drawing

Adjourn

The next meeting will be March 16, 2023

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club  
Meeting Minutes  
January 19, 2023

President, Geof Knoerzer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at Pat McGrath Chevylnd. There were 42 members present including those on-line.

Good and Wellness

- President, Geof Knoerzer asked if anyone had anything to add for Good and Wellness and for any new arrivals. Janice Bates announced she and John got married and they bought a C3 Corvette. Geof also mentioned the Garland and Sharon Groom were going through some health issues and to keep them in our thoughts and prayers.
- President, Geof Knoerzer read the January Birthday and Anniversaries.
- President, Geof Knoerzer read several thank you's he received.

Approval of Secretaries Report-

- President, Geof Knoerzer asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Secretaries report for the November 17th, 2022 meeting. President, Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the minutes. **A motion was made by Malinda Finley and seconded by Paul Hildebrand. The motion passed.**

Secretaries Report Sue Rudd-

- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent get well cards to Madeline Watertor, Sharon Groom, Dan Colby and Dennis Bruster.
- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent a sympathy card and memorial check to Andrea and John Schindler for the passing of Andrea's mother.
- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent a sympathy card to Sharon Goldsmith and family for the passing of former member Kent Goldsmith.
- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent a sympathy card to Dean and Nyla McCall for the passing of Dean's sister.

Treasurer's Report Dennis Primrose-

- Treasurer, Dennis Primrose read the financial report and there were handouts on the tables to read.

Approval of Treasurer's report-

- President, Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the Treasurers's report with the school updated for the Homecoming report. **A motion was made by Jack Gilmour and seconded by Tracy Rudd. The motion passed.**

Webmaster Report Andrew Bowen and Bob Bowen-

- Co-Webmaster Bob Bowen reported that he has an App for Android phones if anyone needs it.

Vice President Report Diane Bowen-

- Vice President, Diane Bowen announced she is working with the Trustee's to make a list of their duties.

- Vice President Diane Bowen told the members to check the tables for sheets she supplied to write down suggestions for activities for our 60th Celebration and hand back to her.

#### Governor Report Mike Finley-

- Governor, Mike Finley reported on the Convention information. There is an email with details that has been sent since the meeting.
- Governor, Mike Finley will attend another Governor's meeting in February, 24th-25th.
- Governor, Mike Finley announced to the club that a chairman was needed for the Auto Cross as he was not able to handle all the needed activities. He also told members he hadn't set a date. He is thinking to move the date from July to September. Bob Bowen volunteered for the Chairman position. Thanks Bob.

#### Social Director Jim McLaughlin-

- Social Director Jim McLaughlin thanked those who attended this month's dinner at Bo Mac's restaurant. He reported that February's dinner would be February 14th at Napoli's and he needs a good number for reservations. He reported the 50/50 amount was \$40.00. He is working on a Cruise to Marengo to the Pioneer Heritage Village on September 16th, 2023 and would like to do a Cruise to Bowling Green if he can get it arranged.

#### Homecoming Director Tracy Rudd-

- Homecoming Director, Tracy Rudd announced he still has several schools he is waiting for their payments. He has sent several emails and invoices to those schools. He asked Dennis to send him a list of schools who have paid so he can recheck against his list.

#### Historian Report Malinda Finley-

- Historian, Malinda Finley mentioned the new photo book was going around to look at. She also told members if they had any memorabilia items to get them to her for the 60th celebration.

#### E-mail Messenger Report Bob Bowen-

- Bob Bowen E-mail Messenger reported to membership that emails have been double checked.

#### Face Book Director Mike Finley-

- No report

#### Trustee's Report - Terry Primrose, Gary Thompson, John Watertor-

- Diane Bowen asked for a vote to destroy the ballots for the election of officers, By-Laws, and Standing Rules votes. **A motion was made by Terry Primrose and seconded by Gary Thompson. The motion passed.**
- Trustee's John Watertor, Terry Primrose, and Gary Thompson reported the number in attendance.

### Car Show

- President, Geof Knoerzer brought up for discussion of what the club wanted to do about our Car Show. After some discussion and no one offering to be a Chairman to organize the show it was determined we would have to change to a Show and Shine Car show. This will mean no auction, awards, T-shirts, and donations to our charities. Geof had a show of hands for majority votes for those in agreement of all of these changes. Geof volunteered to contact our charities to tell them of our regret for no donations for 2023 to their organizations.
- Paul Hildebrand said he would be willing to organize the Show and Shine and ask a few members for their help. More to come for ways members may help out for a Show and Shine Car Show on June 10th, 2023 at the Cedar Hills Community Church. Thanks Paul.

### Old Business-

- Al Willenborg announced he has order sheets for members to order their 60th Anniversary shirts. If you want to order a shirt contact Al Willenborg to get a form. He also mentioned he wanted to have larger orders to be sent to save on postage. He also mentioned he would order 50th shirts for members Bill and Jane Stepanek.

### New Business -

- There will be an Honor Flight on April 25th and CRCC was told they could send 10 Veteran members on this flight. President, Geof Knoerzer is asking for members to contact him if they are wanting to go if haven't previously taken the trip.
- The West Region Conference will be held March 26th.

### - 50/50 drawing

- The 50/50 winner was: Terry Primrose
- Our next meeting is February 16th, 2023 at 6:30 at Pat McGrath Chevylnd.
- President, Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
**A motion was made by Paul Hildebrand and seconded by Terry Primrose.**  
**The motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Sue Rudd.

# Historian Report

## February 2023

It's February 2023 and we can start looking toward spring!! We had a bitter cold week in December of 2022 but January was kind to us almost to the end with just a little snow and cold! Almost too kind!! It gave us dreams of crusin' in our Vetts. Patience my friends! Patience!!

In February of 1973 The Farmer Flings it reports that movie night is always a big success and lots of fun. There was discussion of opening a savings account for club funds at Peoples Bank because they were paying 4% and keeping a smaller balance in the checking account. The meeting minutes for January showed that 10 year anniversary badges were purchased for the club. They were \$ 3.98 each.

Joe and Roxy Williams had a new baby boy.

In February of 1983 Terry Kocher was in full swing getting things lined up for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Ideas were being exchanged for places to go for the anniversary banquet. A trip tp Bowling Green is being discussed. Plans for a box lunch in March was in the works.

In February of 1993 Paul Hildebrand, Jerry Rezab and Jim Bemis talked to Pat McGrath about a weekend Corvette Car Show they were trying to line up. **Sounds like this would make a great event for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.**

In February of 2003 It was written in the Newsletter that Bob Bowen was the 2002 Member of the year. Apparently as it was written he was handsome, hard-working, young-looking and a bundle of energy that was retired from Rockwell along with other wonderful accolades. He was voted outstanding member by fellow club members and received a trophy at the Christmas party. The club president was Bernie Willenborg and he wrote that the club realizes that not everyone can attend everything but try to take part in as many as you can. A committee was being formed for the purpose of planning some 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events.

In February of 2013 Bob and Marlys Bitterman were honored with a plaque for their generous donation to the Honor Flight. 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary shirts were distributed at the meeting. There was also a style show with Bob and Diane Bowen as models showing the early 60's shirts. **We would love to see memorabilia from the last 60 years is anyone has any.**

In February 2022 The website had been improved and continues to be a great source of information. There were a great many members looking forward to spring and anxious to get the cars out and moving.

Your Historian, Malinda Finley