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March 2023 Newsletter

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

March Birthdays

Tracy Moses
Brian Pospichal
Lee Oksendahl
Dan Colby
Mikayla Bowen
Gary Cummings
Elizabeth Kurth
Jim Schneider
Dick Butschi

From the President's Desk



Welcome to the March edition of our club newsletter. February was interesting with the ice storms. Good to have the "rides" put away for the winter months. One member was caught working on his car in February on his lift.

CRCC Cruise Night

Our March Dinner Cruise will be at the Barrel House in Marion.

March 14th. 5:30 P.M. 295 Tower Terrace Rd.

Please RSVP Jim.

Thanks

Jim McLaughlin

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

March Anniversaries

3	Garland & Sharon Groom

CRCC Bowling Green Trip

Jim is coordinating a trip to Bowling Green for the club. As of today, 35 members have signed up for the trip which includes a Corvette Plant Tour. We leave on June 13th. The plant tour and museum tour will be on June 14th. We return to Iowa on June 15th. Thanks Jim for all the hard work coordinating this major trip. Check the club email for all the details.

CRCC Autocross

Mike Finley and Bob Bowen are working on dates for the 2023 CRCC Autocross. Mike is working to get the dates with the West Region and make sure Hawkeye Downs is available for our event. The planned dates are July 22-23 for the event.

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.

CRCC Crusin' the Ave Charity Car Show

Paul Hildebrand and I are working on 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, Mike Williams, Mike Finley, Malinda Finley, Tracy Rudd and Sue Rudd to kick around ideas for this year. We are looking at having a Silent Auction (Diane Bowen) for the event as a fund raiser for the club. KCRG has agreed to help us this year to promote the event.

CRCC 60th 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 second order of club 60^{th} Anniversary Shirts were delivered. Bernie (Al) is coordinating additional orders.

CRCC Camp Courageous Car Show

The Camp Courageous Car Show is planned for Sunday, May 21st. The last time I checked, the sign up forms were not available. Make your calendars for the date.

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. Bob and Andrew were making changes to the club site.

Geof

Geoffrey Knoerzer President Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

March 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 April 20, 2023

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club Meeting Minutes February 16th, 2023

Vice President, Diane Bowen called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM at Pat McGrath Chevyland. There were 29 members present including those on-line. A new member Ken Houser called into the meeting. He owns a C4 1989 Corvette.

Good and Wellness

- Vice President, Diane Bowen read the February Birthday and Anniversaries.

Approval of Secretaries Report-

 Vice President, Diane Bowen asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Secretaries report for the January 19th, 2023 meeting. Vice President, Diane Bowen called for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Karla McMurrin and seconded by Geof Knoerzer. The motion passed.

Secretaries Report Sue Rudd-

- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent get well cards to Sharon and Garland Groom and Bob Bowen.
- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent a sympathy card to Ronnie Craig's family for the passing of Ronnie.
- Sue Rudd reported that Tracy and her would be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in June and would be sending out an invitation for the membership to attend their celebration. It will be at the Marion Legion on Sunday, June 4th! More to come.

Treasurer's Report Dennis Primrose-

- Treasurer, Dennis Primrose read the financial report.

Approval of Treasurer's report-

 Vice President, Diane Bowen called for a motion to approve the Treasurers's report. A motion was made by Geof Knoerzer and seconded by Tracy Rudd. The motion passed.

Webmaster Report Andrew Bowen and Bob Bowen-

 Co-Webmaster Bob Bowen reported that he and Andrew made changes to the Website. They added our 60th Logo. They added links for many features and once Al gets back will be adding a shopping link. They also added a feature that a date will be shown for when the last update had been made.

Vice President Report Diane Bowen-

- Vice President, Diane Bowen announced she is working on a booklet for Trustee's and VP duties.
- Vice President Diane Bowen told the members to continue thinking of activities for our 60th Anniversary celebration and please pass them along.

Governor Report Mike Finley-

- Governor, Mike Finley announced he will not attend the Governor's meeting this month and will call in instead to save the club the expenses.
- Governor, Mike Finley commented the Auto Cross may be in August but a date has not been chosen.

Social Director Jim McLaughlin-

- Social Director, Jim McLaughlin thanked those who attended this month's dinner at Napoli's restaurant. All that attended had a great time and enjoyed the meal to celebrate Valentine's Day.
- Social Director, Jim McLaughlin announced the March dinner would be at the Barrel House on the 14th in Marion. Contact Jim if interested. He also talked about the Bowling Green Cruise and has several people already interested in this event. He is working with Bowling Green to pin down a date (possible date June 14th) and work the details. If you think you are interested contact Jim. More to come.

Homecoming Director Tracy Rudd-

 Homecoming Director, Tracy Rudd announced we are still waiting for Alburnett and North Cedar to pay. He commented he may need to send another reminder.

Historian Report Malinda Finley-

<u>-</u> Historian, Malinda Finley told members if they had any memorabilia items to get them to her for the 60th celebration and she would be setting up possible times in Spring for our 60th photos.

E-mail Messenger Report Bob Bowen-

- No report

Face Book Director Mike Finley-

- No report

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

- No report.

Car Show

- President, Geof Knoerzer announced that a small group had a Car Show meeting and they will be having another soon. He commented that they may do dash plates with our 60th Logo and that KCRG will do advertising for the club.

Old Business-

- Al Willenborg announced he has all the shirts that have been ordered completed. Since the weather didn't cooperate they will be brought to the March meeting to be given out. 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.
- Reminder the West Region Conference will be held March 26th in Des Moines.
- President, Geof Knoerzer reminded the membership of the Honor Flight on April 25th and said that 4 from the club are signed up.

New Business -

- Vice President, Diane Bowen mentioned that Bob and her went on line the first day to sign up for the NCCC Convention in Bowling Green. She mentioned that 400 had already registered and that the preferred motel was already full.
- It was announced that Geof Knoerzer and Dennis would get together to go over our account and to set a budget going forward.
- Homecoming Director, Tracy Rudd made a suggestion that any money left over from the Homecoming fund after paying out our charity, instead of it going to the general fund it could maybe go to the Honor Flight Fund. Membership will need to discuss and vote on this idea or offer other suggestions.
- There was discussion of possible activities for our 60th Celebration. Some ideas were...

A golf outing and steak fry at the Indian Creek Country Club.

A Car Rally

Scavenger Hunt

An Ice Cream and topping rally

A trip and dinner to Meskwaki Casino

50/50 drawing

- The 50/50 drawing was not done.
- Our next meeting is March 16th, 2023 at 6:30 at Pat McGrath Chevyland.
- Vice President, Diane Bowen called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
 A motion was made by Malinda Finley and seconded by Jim McLaughlin.
 The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Sue Rudd.

Historian Report

March 2023 is here and it's time to make sure we have everything ready for summer cruises!!

In March of 1973 The meeting was held at the Carousel Inn in Iowa City on the 20th. You were invited to bring your swimwear including pasties if needed since the hotel has invited CRCC to swim also. For years CRCC have tried to work with Cedar Rapids businesses and have come up with little or no help. Suddenly the Carousel people have asked what they can do to help. Everyone was urged to call and get reservations for poolside rooms so the fun would be easy to get to !! CRCC meeting minutes mentioned that in February there was a movie night and apparently Herms D.O.M movie was a big hit. President Don Johnson wants to send a copy of our newsletter to Blue Bars for the magazine competition. There is also a personal profile of Steve and Karen Butterfield. This is done every month to help you get to know your club members. D.J. & Geri Carpenter had a baby girl.

In March of 1983 March 12th there was a box lunch dinner. It was to be a box dinner for two. The boxes were to have everything needed for the meal. They were auctioned off for charity. You needed to bring your own beverages. A trip to Bowling Green in May was being planned.

In March of 1993 CRCC was planning a 30 years of Class Concorse at Westdale Mall for April. Part of the 30th anniversary celebration. Cindi Kocher gave a report on the 30th Anniversary party. Wholesale tires offered CRCC members 10% over cost on all tires and wheels. They also offered to bring their air truck to the auto cross.

In March 2003 Plans were being made for the 40th anniversary celebration. Guests at the meeting were Jack and Jan Gilmour who own a 2002 Red Coupe and Dick Butschi who owns a 1977 White coupe. They were voted in as new members. A go cart event was being planned for April. Cindi Kocher reported that the 40th anniversary celebration announcements were being mailed out. A motion was made that Pat Mcgrath and his wife be invited to the Anniversary dinner with the club paying for their meals. The the motion passed. The event was held at the Touch of Class on Mt Vernon Road and catered by Dostals.

In March of 2013 The first order of the 50th Anniversary shirts were delivered. The March meeting went over all the 50th anniversary plans for the year. Club members are continuing to show off the all items they have from 1963 and on. Al Willenborg suggested contacting the Swamp Fox Festival to see if they would

allow the corvettes in their parade while Mike Williams was checking on the Freedom Festival. A dinner crise to the Butcher Block was on the 12th.

In March of 2022 Everything was going well. The banner that hung at the muesum will be auctioned off to help fund the next banner. Sharon and Garland Groom were the only March wedding Anniversary.

Your Historian, Malinda Finley

Sue's Cherry Salad

18 oz carton of Cool Whip

1 can Cherry Pie filling

1 can crushed pineapple, drained

1 half bag of walnuts. Chopped a little.

Mix together and freeze overnight. Thaw and refrigerate.

Freezing is the key. It helps the flavors blend.

You can add a cup of coconut and a cup of marshmellows if you like but if you do use a large cool whip.

This is one to keep on hand in the freezer in case you have surprise company.