



## ***Beyond the Glass***

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From the President's Desk:

### November Cedar Rapids Corvette Club Newsletter

We wanna have fun. We drive. We eat. We like Dairy Queen.

We are coming to the end of another Corvette driving season. Soon, (when the first snow drops) we will tuck our "rides" in the garage and put them "under cover". It has been a great year with a number of different activities. Parades, Car Shows, Dinner Cruises, Food Drive, Homecomings. If you have any ideas for club activities for next year, please let us know so we can plan the activity into next year's calendar.

We have a few members interested in the National Corvette Museum celebration in August 2019. It will be the 25 year anniversary and caravans are being planned from all across the country to converge on Bowling Green, Kentucky. We have five cars with an interest in participating. Maybe we could run the "Tail of the Dragon" while we are there?

For 2018, I would like to thank all the members for the support this year in our various activities. We are all just trying to “have some fun”.

#### CRCC Clothe-A-Child

Dick and Lori did their best to represent the CRCC in this event on the morning of October 27th. Early that morning (6:40) at Kohl’s SW location, friend and CAC rep Jim Arnold gave CRCC special recognition over the store public announcement to a sizeable group of volunteer shoppers. Some visited with us, asking questions and were impressed with the money we raised for CAC and our other charities – good PR for CRCC!!!! (We should work next year to have more CRCC members in attendance to help out for this worthwhile and heart warming event.)

There were delays with some of the buses, but it gave us time to chat with some of the volunteers. One was a friend and neighbor of Chris Thompson’s and lives only a few houses from my son in Robins. Another was an older gent (about my age, or younger), outfitted in his Hawkeye game-day gear, who was a joy to talk to. It’s just a neat experience in so many ways!

Thank you Dick and Lori for representing our club in this charitable activity.

#### CRCC Homecoming Parades

We are complete with our Homecoming season. This year, we had 19 Homecoming Parades. We even had four days that we had three parades!! We filled 349 slots of requested cars. A loud “Thank You” to those members that stepped up to help out!!!! Tracy and Sue, thank you for coordinating all of the activities and members.

#### CRCC Leaf Run

What a great time on the Leaf Run. 27 Corvettes and 2 wanna be Corvettes joined in on the activity. 58 members participated and we had some great country touring. Thank you to Del and Kathy for coordinating.

### CRCC November Dinner Cruise

The next dinner cruise will be at Chrome Horse in downtown Cedar Rapids. Check the website for details. Chrome Horse is a car show club sponsor and our participation in supporting this business would be appreciated.

### CRCC National Corvette Museum Banner Auction

Darrell Hatchel won the auction for the club banner at the October meeting. Thank you for the contribution.

Your President,

Geof Knoerzer

## Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

October 18, 2018

Meeting Minutes

President Geof Knoerzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

President Geof Knoerzer announced that the October meeting is a special night for the CRCC. The October meeting is the culmination of months of planning, preparation, and execution of all the tasks related to our annual car show. Together we celebrate all of that hard work with our generous car show sponsors, to honor and assist four community support organizations to be successful in the important work they do.

### **Car Show Committee –**

Show Co-Chair Dick Butschi shared the list of car show trophy sponsors and major sponsors. Co-Chair Wayne Martin introduced our guests and presented them with checks from our annual car show. Those present to

receive checks were Kelsey Steines from the Catherine McAuley Center, Jim Arnold from Clothe-A-Child, Kelly Martin, Jamee Weber and Linda Weber from the East Central Brain Injury Alliance, and Jackie Wallace from Miracles in Motion.

President Geof Knoerzer thanked Pat McGrath Chevylard and John Baker for providing food and beverages for tonight's meeting.

President Geof Knoerzer welcomed and thanked members and guests for coming to the 2018 October meeting. There were 77 members in attendance.

Thom and Karen Ash who own a 2017 Grey Coupe, Coleen Kint, Bill Fletcher who owns a 2015 Black Coupe and 1998 Red Convertible, and Gary Wintringer who owns a 2007 Blue convertible were voted in as members tonight.

President Geof Knoerzer read the following letters received:

Marion Independent School Foundation and Board of Trustees sent a thank you for the CRCC's participation in the Swamp Fox Parade.

West Branch Community School District sent a thank you for the use of CRCC corvettes in their homecoming parade.

Jack Gilbert, a Vietnam Veteran sent a thank you for the Honor Flight plaque for his trip on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Kenneth Cook, a Vietnam Veteran sent a thank you for the Honor Flight plaque and a donation for his trip on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Benedict, Kennedy High School sent a thank you for the use of CRCC corvettes in the Kennedy Homecoming. Kennedy also sent a \$100.00 donation for using the alternate car.

Darlene DeVries sent a thank you for the food and cash donations to the Open Hands Food Pantry located at the Cedar Hills Community Church.

Garland and Sharon Groom sent a thank you for all the good wishes for a speedy recovery.

Sweet Rides For Charity sent a thank you for the CRCC's \$100 Row Sponsorship at their car show September 8<sup>th</sup>. Geof Knoerzer paid the sponsorship in name of the club.

The Catherine McAuley Center sent a thank you for our donations of toiletries.

### **Good and Wellness:**

Janice Elm was very appreciative of the CRCC members who drove their corvettes to Jerry's funeral service. President Geof Knoerzer asked members if anyone was celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month of October since we didn't have the birthday and anniversary list.

### **Approval of Secretary's Report**

President Geof Knoerzer asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes of the September 20, 2018 meeting. President Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the September 2018 meeting with two corrections. **A motion was made by Paul Hildebrand and was seconded by Karla McMurrin to approve the September 2018 meeting minutes with corrections. The motion passed.**

**Secretary Lori Brendes** - reported that she sent the following cards:

Garland Groom – get well card.

Chris Abbott- get well card.

Kenneth Cook (Honor Flight Veteran) – thank you card for Honor Flight donation.

Jerry Elm Family- sympathy card and memorial.

### **Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Larry Bushaw presented the October financial report. President Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the October financial report as presented. **A motion was made by Lyle Knutson and was seconded by John Van Heukelom to approve the October financial report as presented. The motion passed.**

**Webmaster Larry Bushaw** – reported that the calendar still has some information coming in but it is winding down.

**Vice President Diane Bowen –**

Please submit Minutes and articles to Vice President Diane Bowen by Wednesday, October 31st. The monthly President's message, minutes and any other information can be accessed on the club website.

President Geof Knoerzer read a report from Diane. She shared that Clothe – A – Child is Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at Kohl's on the west side of town at 6:30 AM.

**Governor Garland Groom –Not present. No report**

**Competition Director Mike Finley –**

Mike shared that we have a signed contract with Hawkeye Downs for our 2019 Autocross on July 26<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Social Director Del Winter –**

The consensus was that with the cold temperatures and windy weather we are going to cancel the Halloween Party. Next year we should look at holding it in September and call it a Harvest Party.

Del Winter shared that the next dinner cruise will be Tuesday, November 13th to the Chrome Horse Saloon in Newbo. We will meet there for dinner at 6:00 PM.

The Christmas Party is December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Indian Creek Country Club. The social hour will start at 6:00 PM.

Billy Heller, a musician will play from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

President Geof Knoerzer thanked Del and Kathy Winter for the wonderful Leaf Run!

**Homecoming Director Tracy Rudd –**

Tracy Rudd thanked everyone involved in the Homecoming Parades. We filled all 19 Homecoming Parades, and we didn't have any canceled.

**Historian Sue Rudd** – New people see Sue so she can take your picture.

**Email Messenger Bob Bowen** –Not present.

Members are reminded to let Bob know about any new email addresses. Also remember to reply to the correct person instead of the CRCC email messenger. Make sure you check your spam folder if you aren't getting CRCC messages. Flag it as not spam and add CRCC emails to your contact list.

**Trustees report** - shared the count for the evening meeting.

**Old Business** –

**New Business** –

Elections - we will prepare the ballots to be sent out in November. Ballot must be mailed by November 28<sup>th</sup>. Election results will be announced at the December Christmas Party.

You can submit your name for any position (the positions are describe in the Bylaws and Standing Rules)

The positions open for next year are Vice President, Secretary, Trustee, Historian (Sue will take the position for another year if no one is interested), and Social Director.

National Corvette Museum Banner was auctioned off. Darrell Hatchel won the bidding war!

Treasurer Larry Bushaw announced the 50/50 amount.

The 50/50 drawing winner was: Lyle Knutson

President Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Steve Luense and seconded by Dave Bauer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

The next CRCC monthly meeting will be Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Pat McGrath Chevyland.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Lori Brendes