

Meeting Minutes
NORTH TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB
March 4, 2022

President, Tom Prohaska, called the March 2022 meeting of the North Texas Corvette Club to order at 7:30 pm. Tom took a moment to thank Vice President, Mike Martin for stepping up numerous times to host club meetings and for all his efforts including organizing the Club's Christmas Party.

Mike then introduced visitors Sandy & Curtis from Rowlett who are owners of a 2006 Jet Stream Blue C6. New members in attendance were Robert Ramirez, owner of a 2021 gray C8 and returning members Sam & Paula Pascal who recently purchased their black C8 with a memorable museum delivery.

The February meeting minutes were read and approved by Jon Kennedy and seconded by Ken Bradshaw.

Treasurer, Cindy Smith, updated the total in the checking account and detailed the monthly deposits and expenses. She is planning to submit the IRS report and State Franchise Tax documents earlier than the May deadlines. The attendees voted to contribute \$500 to the upcoming April Medal of Honor Parade on the club's behalf.

As of meeting time, there were 81 paid members as reported by Membership Chair, Kay Pace. New member Cinda Petrie from McKinney, joined at the Valentine's cruise and Cynthia Farar of Frisco joined at the Activities Planning meeting on February 26th. She reminded all that any new members need to fill out the 2022 Application for Membership with the dues of \$50 per car and mail it to Cindy Smith, club treasurer. Dues include you and your significant other.

Lynne Hellmers our Sunshine Committee Chair updated the group on Lynn Davis' progress; however, Charlie has recently contracted pneumonia and both could use continued prayers and support. Thoughts and prayers are also requested for Joey Prohaska for her recent cancer diagnosis. Tom said she is looking at various options for treatment. Lynne reminded members that her phone has a New Jersey area code and hopes that members will bear that in mind as her calls frequently go unanswered.

Merchandise Chair, Shirley Hensley again reviewed ordering procedures from the online SanMar.com catalog. She maintains a list of the club's most popular items ordered for those interested. The black club polos (ordered for members with a standing of 5 or more years of membership) were received and will be delivered to the embroiderer for personalization. Members can also give her their own purchased items, which can be embroidered for a nominal fee. New red, black beige and white club hats have also been reordered.

John Hellmers, National Corvette Museum Ambassador offered brochures from the NCM covering Museum Membership, Insurance and Museum Delivery.

A club side trip to the museum may be an option for those signed up for the "Tail of the Dragon" Cruise planned for early October. Several cars may opt to spin off from the group instead of continuing onto Memphis on the return trip.

The NCM Bash, upcoming April 28th – 30th is another opportunity for a visit. John said this event is generally viewed as a New Year reveal for upcoming model trends, new colors and the like. Details are available on the NCM Website.

Before introducing Dan Pace, Tom thanked him for his 5 years' service as Activities Chair, awarding him with a new club jacket. Dan has been key in making sure the club's calendar is filled with diverse and fun activities throughout the year. He also stepped up to schedule pre-meeting dinners at various locations.

In response, Dan thanked those who have volunteered to host events in the past and requested that members be as supportive to his successor, Brandee Platke.

He said 30 members attended the recent activities planning meeting and he & Brandee assembled a calendar for March through June.

In addition to the first Friday monthly meetings, upcoming club activities include:

- March 27th there will be a dinner cruise to Catfish Haven in Whitesboro hosted by Bill and Betty Shores. Cars will depart from the lot south of the Horney Toad Café at 1:00 pm.
- April 23rd will be the Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, Texas, which will again be hosted by Richard and Gale Gore. Details will follow, but typically we depart from the Braums on 380 at 8:00 am.
- May 7th will be a Cinco de Mayo lunch hosted by Debbie & Joel Fisher in Rockwall. Details to follow.
- May 22nd is a scheduled Sundae cruise for which a volunteer host is needed.
- June 2nd – 5th is the Big Cypress Corvette Weekend in Jefferson, Texas. A brochure was made available with details as well as an earlier email. Booking of reservations is up to attendees.
- June 25th is the Annual NTCC Picnic to be held at Pavilion #1, Frank Buck Zoo in Gainesville at 11:00 am.

In Communications, Betty Shores said two new posts were added to the website; the Valentine's Cruise and one of the club's charitable donations. There are still frequent views particularly to activities. There were 441 sessions with 1,057 page views. She said 54% of the traffic was identified as new.

There were no updates from the Executive Committee.

In Old Business several items from the silent auction held last July need to be picked up by the "winning members."

When Susan & Bill Chambers dropped off the club's donation to Meals on Wheels, they were informed that many recipients are in need of pet food added to their own meal delivery. Specifically requested are can food or small packages of dry dog and/or cat food. A 5 pound package would be acceptable or food that has been portioned into easy open bags. Also there is a need for volunteers to deliver meals and socialize with the homebound recipients. They said 1200 meals are delivered per week in Denton.

When Tom Prohaska and Cindy Smith delivered the club's donation to Our Daily Bread it was graciously received. In addition to serving meals, the charity also spends much of their time giving guidance and assistance to the homeless.

In New Business, a verbal election was held with unopposed candidates taking on their new positions:

Tom Prohaska remains as President

Serving as Vice President will be Betty Shores
and the new Secretary will be Donna Robinson.

Cindy Smith has agreed to remain as Treasurer.

Brandee Platki has volunteered to become the new Activities Chair.

Lynne Hellmers agreed to continue as Sunshine Chair

and John Hellmers will remain as Corvette Museum Ambassador.

Robert Ramirez won the 50/50 pot of \$75.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm. There were 44 in person attendees & 4 “zoomers.”

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Rafferty
Secretary