

# *Queen City Corvette Club*

## **Club Business Meeting Minutes**

**Date: Saturday, November 9, 2013 Time: 6 PM Location: Streetside Classics**

**Board Members and Staff Present:** Keith Cross, President; Bill Rambo, Vice-President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Tommy Loftin, Automotive Director; Laura Pelchat, Social Director; Nelson and Barbara Sprague, Charity Committee; Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Boyd and Susan Kurt, Newsletter Editors; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador; Bob Denney, photographer.

### **DISCUSSION:**

#### **President: Keith Cross**

- Keith called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm (a little late due to the fire alarm and building evacuation)
- Welcomed everyone to the meeting
- Introduced the 2013 QCCC Board and Staff
- Motion made, seconded, and approved to accept the October minutes
- Asked all Veterans to stand and thanked them for their service to our country (Veterans Day is Monday 11/11/13)
- Thanked Christian Sayles of Streetside Classics for providing refreshments and a place to meet
- Invited **Christian Sayles** to say a few words about Streetside Classics:
  - Streetside Classics is an automotive consignment operation and has a \$150 referral fee program
  - Toys For Tots collection will be at Streetside Classics on Saturday December 7 at 9:00 am
- Invited **Bill Miller** to speak about the Christmas Angels Toy Drive
  - November 23 – 8:00 am meet at Sears at Carolina Place Mall at the Salvation Army truck. Local Corvette Clubs have been invited to join a police-escorted cruise to Mimi's Café at Northlake Mall for brunch. There will be a DJ and media coverage featuring each generation of Corvette.
  - Bring a wrapped toy to donate to the Salvation Army - last year provided a record 275 gifts!
  - Please preregister via the QCCC Website's Calendar

#### **Membership Director: Chris Wood**

- Thanked Streetside Classics for being a sponsor of the 2014 NCM Caravan
- Asked that we remember Wendy Krupowicz, Fred McCoy, and Guy Bising's son in our prayers
- Monogram Fever is a new advertiser
- Prospective Members introduced themselves:
  - Clifton & Bronwyn Abare – 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
  - Don & Peg Conover – 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
  - Mike & Darry Finney – 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
- New Members voted into the club:
  - Gary & Gwen Cunningham – 1978 Anniversary Corvette
  - Christian & Dawn Sayles – 2003 Anniversary Corvette
- Guests:
  - Ron & Anne Simmons, friends of Ben & Jamie Hinson
  - Zoe Poindexter, daughter of David Poindexter
  - Chance Nisley, son of Jim & Tracy Nisley
  - Brandon Clarke, son of Jim & Dao Clarke
- Membership - QCCC now has 288 active and provisional members

#### **Vice President: Bill Rambo**

- Upcoming Meeting locations:
  - December 14, 2013 – Christmas Party & Meeting – Laura Pelchat will give the details in her report
  - January 11, 2014 – Boy Scout Camp - bring flashlights
  - February, 2014 – Pleasant Hill Church (Boyd & Susan Kurt) Hwy 49 – South, Charlotte

- Total of 121 Members were present at the meeting

#### **Automotive Director: Tommy Loftin**

- The September QCCC Car Show was featured in the centerfold of City Chevrolet's Newsletter - available at City Chevrolet
- October 13 – Foothills Corvette Club's Fall Tour to Shatley Springs was a perfect day with over 200 Corvettes participating – 30 from QCCC
- October 26 - Reggie and Susie Black led a day trip to West Jefferson on another beautiful day
- November 2 - Dyno Day #2 was successful - thanks to Merrill Quintrell for coordinating
- November 16 – Vettes for Veterans Charity Run from Mooresville at 11:30 am to the Salisbury VA Hospital to visit and honor Veterans - \$20 registration fee - information is available at the front table
- November 23 – Hendrick Motorsports will have a Christmas For Kids Car Show
- December 1 - Foothills and Country Corvettes have invited QCCC to join their Christmas cruise to The Depot Cody Creek Restaurant in Dobson. Buffet starts at 4 pm with ribs and chicken for \$20 each. A sign-up sheet and information are available at the front table.
- John Meadows is coordinating many parades for us to be in – see the QCCC website for details
- To Host a Corvette Day Trip, please contact Tommy Loftin

#### **Treasurer: Jim Weisberg**

- Asked if there were any questions about the YTD actual vs. budget financials recently sent to members via email
- 2014 dues of \$100 are due by January 15

#### **Social Director: Laura Pelchat**

- November 15 – Overnight Trip to Biltmore Candlelight Viewing
  - Quality Inn Biltmore South
  - Evening House Tour 7:30 PM - \$59
  - Includes Tour of the Grounds next day
  - Need money by October 25
- November 16 – Day Trip to Biltmore
  - Arrive by 10:30 am for Group picture of Vettes in front of Biltmore
  - Lunch at Deer Park Inn
  - House Tour \$40 per person
- December 4 – Tour the Billy Graham Library at 4:30 pm for \$10. Dinner afterward at Jocks and Jills (we have a \$30 gift certificate from our last Trivia Contest victory, to be used for appetizers)
- December 14 – QCCC Christmas Party/Meeting at The Pearl in Cornelius
  - Buffet Dinner - \$10.00 per person, Cash Bar
  - Gift Exchange again this year – Dirty Santa \$15 - car related items went well last year
  - Details will be posted on the QCCC Website
- January 25, 2014 - QCCC Awards Banquet
  - Vintage Motor Club in Concord, NC (new owners and caterer)
  - Live Band – *The Extraordinaires*
  - Buffet Dinner - \$35 per person, Cash Bar
  - Need Silent Auction items for the event - proceeds go to the Charity Fund (last year raised \$900)

#### **Secretary: Jane Burt for Carolyn Zimmer**

- Announced November Member Birthdays
- Please sign the big Birthday card at the front table for Walter Ahrens who will be 99 years old on the 16<sup>th</sup>!
- If you would like your name added to the Happy Birthday list, please contact Carolyn Zimmer

#### **National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano**

- April 23-27, 2014 NCM Bash, Bowling Green Kentucky
  - Paul has two rooms left at the Hilton Garden Inn and will lead the group
  - Sign up on list or email Paul Mariano

- Assembly Plan Tours are now open for booking – QCCC Member Art Pipek will reserve a private tour for 20 people if there's enough interest. Please let him know ASAP.
- August 2014 - National Corvette Caravan, Bowling Green, KY
  - This is turning into quite an event! About 4000 cars are registered so far with two from The Netherlands!
  - Assembly Plant Tours are now full
  - QCCC Members are encouraged to Register at [www.corvettecaravan.com](http://www.corvettecaravan.com) AND the Carolinas and Virginia Regional Caravan [www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/](http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/) so organizers can plan appropriately. Contact Carolyn Zimmer for additional registration information.
  - Registration for the 2014 C&VA Corvette Caravan - The 2014 Carolinas and Virginia Corvette Caravan is a prelude to the 2014 National Corvette Caravan in Bowling Green KY, and will kick off on August 23, 2014 in Concord NC. Currently over 200 cars are registered for the C&VA Caravan Event. Detailed information and the registration process are available at [www.corvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/) . Carolyn Zimmer is the 2014 C&VA (C&VA) Corvette Caravan Registration Chair. Contact her at her Caravan email [VelocityVette77@yahoo.com](mailto:VelocityVette77@yahoo.com).
- C7 Corvette Raffle Tickets are available from Helen Jensen for \$10 each – only two left!

### **Charity Committee – Nelson Sprague**

- Thanked everyone for bringing food and monetary donations tonight for the Matthews Help Center – items will also be collected at the December meeting
- Thanked everyone for adopting all of the children of the 27 local Air National Guard members who are deployed this year. Please bring the toys, gift cards, and monetary donations to the December 14 Meeting and Christmas Party

### **50/50 Raffle for Charity won by Al Kessel**

### **Door Prizes won by Larry Newsome and Ken Watts**

### **Old Business**

- As part of the 2013 QCCC Car Show, QCCC raised funds to support the National Corvette Museum. Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador will provide recommendations to determine the best options for donating the funds to provide benefit to the NCM while providing tangible recognition of the donation for QCCC.
- Five blue QCCC logo blankets – made in USA – are available for \$55.00 each
- Lids for QCCC logo tumblers are available for \$10
- QCCC License plates are available for \$15

### **New Business / Other**

- Tonight's QCCC Corvette Boutique raised close to \$800 to support the 2014 NCM Caravan - Thank you Pat Bonino and crew!
- Motion was made, seconded, and approved to declare the 2014 QCCC Board by proclamation, since the slate is running unopposed
- Proclamation was made, seconded, and approved that the 2014 QCCC Board be:
  - President – Keith Cross
  - Vice President – Bill Cruthis
  - Secretary – Carolyn Zimmer
  - Treasurer – Jim Weisberg
  - Social Director – Pat Bonino
  - Automotive Director – Tommy Loftin
  - Membership Director – Chris Wood

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Jane Burt, for Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*