



River City Corvettes of Sacramento August 2016 Newsletter

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*Business meetings start at 7 pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Dante Club. Food is not served at the meeting, but there are nice restaurants close to the Dante Club. **Next meeting is September 1, 2016.***

President Robert Ramirez's Message

It's been almost 1 year since I became President and I can't believe it's already over. And what a great year it's been. We've had great runs, events, parties and more. Needless to say, it would not have been the year it was without the support of Ron Kayl, Vice President, Keri Berkler, Secretary, and, of course, your returning Treasurer, Mr. Rick Sutter. It was an absolute pleasure working with them. I want also to express my gratitude to all of our volunteers and board members. It is they who help our club run as smoothly as it does. Now, let me congratulate your newly elected officers: Barbara Stelter, President, Tim "Wright", Vice President, Diana Schneider, Secretary, and, once again, your returning Treasurer, Rick Sutter. I'm sure with their leadership this is going to be another great year and I'm looking forward to supporting them.

So until I see you again, stay safe, and let's have another GREAT year. Robert out.

Vice President Ron Kayl's Message

Hi RCCC members, thanks to all who helped make this past year a success. Help support the new officer's for another great year. Thanks again. Ron

RCCS Business Meeting Minutes (August 4, 2016)

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm by Robert Ramirez.

Corrections/Additions to Prior Meeting Minutes - Robert Ramirez: *Robert indicated he needed to make two corrections to last month's minutes. Both corrections were contained in last month's President's message. The first is a correction to the spelling of Tim Wright's last name, which was incorrectly spelled "Write". The second is the month of the RCCS Birthday Party. The President's message indicated "September" but the correct month is August. Robert asked if anyone else had any corrections and/or additions to the July 7, 2016 meeting minutes. No additional corrections or additions were presented. A motion was made by Anne Dunbar to recognize and approve the July 7, 2016 minutes as amended, with a 2nd by Joyce Sathre.*

Election of Officers for 2016-2017 - Last call for volunteers – Robert Ramirez: *Robert announced the names of those running for officer positions. Barbara Stelter running for President, Tim Wright running for Vice President, Diana Schneider running for Secretary, and Rick Sutter running for Treasurer. Robert asked if anyone else was interested in running for a position. No one else volunteered.*

Treasurer's Report – Rick Sutter: The Treasurer's Report was given by Rick and the report was recognized by the membership. Rick announced that for the 3rd month in a row, those individuals who have brought in the desserts to the meetings have not requested reimbursement. Rick thanked Dave Bull/Heidi Goodman, Don/Sue Hess, and Terrie Hunt/Jerry Neil for their sweet treat donations to the RCCS. Rick reminded everyone that RCCS annual dues are due and considered delinquent if not paid by the conclusion of tonight's meeting. Last year at this time the RCCS had 85 paid memberships. This year so far, the club has 75 paid memberships. Please make sure you submit your \$100 dues and copies of your driver's license/insurance cards to Rick Sutter as soon as possible to maintain your membership status. Finally, Rick indicated that for the 3rd year in a row, Mort Richman is preparing the tax documents for the RCCS and preliminary reports indicate he will only be charging the club \$.99 for his services. Thank you Mort!!!

Diana Schneider provided an update on the health status of RCCS member Brenda Mounce, who underwent a significant heart surgery three weeks ago. Diana indicated that four days ago Brenda took a turn for the worst resulting in her return to ICU. The doctors have told Jim it is a miracle Brenda is alive given all she has been through and they are cautiously optimistic. Please continue to send cards so Jim can take them to the hospital and share them with Brenda. She is not allowed visitors. It is anticipated her recovery will take 8-9 months minimum. Please keep both Jim and Brenda Mounce in your hearts and prayers.

Visitors and New Members – Patti Herberger: Patti wished a happy birthday to the 8 members having a birthday in August. Patti introduced third-time attendees/perspective members Ken & Lisa Vernon, and gave them an opportunity to tell a little about themselves to the membership. Lisa said she had wanted a Corvette for most of her life and her goal was to have one before she turned 50. She bought her 2008 black Corvette coupe at age 47. She said she lets Ken drive it every once in a while. Ken said he rides a Harley Davidson motorcycle and works at Target Distribution. The membership voted and Ken and Lisa were welcomed as new members.

Past Events:

July 12, 2016 - Amador Flower Farm, Lunch, and Shopping – Terrie Hunt: Participants met at 8:30 am at the Carl's Jr. Restaurant in Rancho Cordova before departing to the Amador Flower Farm in Plymouth, CA. This facility offers over 700 types of day lilies, beautiful grounds with two large ponds, and numerous other plants and succulents and a gift shop. From there the group traveled to the historic Hotel Sutter in Sutter Creek for lunch and then finished the day shopping in the many quaint stores in Sutter Creek. There were 22 participants and everyone had a great time.

July 16, 2016 – Summer BBQ and Dance – Sue Facciola: Sue and Keri hosted a summer BBQ and dance party for RCCS members at their home on Saturday, July 16, 2016. The weather cooperated by cooling down a bit, allowing the 70+ participants to really enjoy the backyard event. The dinner meal was catered by Patrick Stiltner Catering and was reportedly fabulous. The live music provided by John and Catherine Lowry was great. Sue and Keri thanked all who joined them for the event. They expressed their appreciation to all those who brought wine and scrumptious desserts to share with the other party guests. A fun time was had by all.

July 17-20, 2016 – Ashland, Oregon Run - Ralph Pockress: Participants driving Corvettes and some generics met at the Carl's Jr. Restaurant on Northgate Boulevard in Sacramento. Lunch was at the Hi-Lo Café in Weed enroute to Ashland, Oregon. Participants stayed at the Ashland Springs Hotel. On Monday, participants enjoyed a group dinner and a fantastic theatrical performance of "CHICAGO" at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre. On Tuesday, some of the participants traveled to "the

adventure coast” and stayed at The Mill Casino Hotel in North Bend, Oregon where they enjoyed “million-dollar panoramic” views of Coos Bay, a casino, and five unique dining venues, including one that served a “ham steak” that was several inches larger than the plate! On Wednesday, July 20th, some of the participants took a scenic road trip up the Oregon Coast before traveling back to Ashland to spend another night at the Ashland Springs Hotel before heading home. Ralph reported the trip was a success and everyone had a wonderful time.

Election of Officers for 2016-2017 – Robert Ramirez: Robert indicated no other members had volunteered to run for an officer position. The four persons previously identified are each running unopposed for their respective positions. Therefore, no official vote of the membership was undertaken. Robert introduced the 2016-2017 RCCS Officers as Barbara Stelter - President, Tim Wright - Vice President, Diana Schneider - Secretary, and Rick Sutter - Treasurer. Welcome aboard and good luck!!

Raffle – Round One: The raffle crew of Don and Sue Hess, Dave Bull, and Heidi Goodman conducted the raffle. Jeanie Kayl and Barbara Hinchman graciously volunteered to be the “Vannas” for the evening. There was a total of 19 gifts donated by 15 parties.

Upcoming Events:

August 7, 2016 – Rio Vista Lunch Run: This event has been cancelled.

August 11, 2016 – Capay Valley Run - Tim Wright/Jerry Neil: This is a Thursday run. Participants will meet at the Carl’s Jr. Restaurant, 3776 Northgate Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 646-9930, at 9:30 am and will depart Sacramento at approximately 10:00 am. The group will stop for lunch at the Road Trip Bar and Grill, 24989 State Highway 16, Capay, CA 95607, (530) 796-3778, (www.roadtripbg.com) and then travel to Séka Hills Olive Mill and Tasting Room, 19326 County Road 78, Brooks, CA 95606, (530) 796-2810, (www.sekahills.com) for a tour and wine/olive oil tastings, and/or gambling at Cache Creek Casino, 14455 State Highway 16, Brooks, CA 95606, (530) 796-3118, (www.cachecreek.com). A sign-up sheet was passed around. For more information, please contact Tim Wright.

August 20, 2016 – RCCS Birthday Party – Robert Ramirez: The RCCS is celebrating its 39th year! This event is both a celebration and a fundraiser and will be held in the large room at the Dante Club. The event will commence at 5:00 pm with a no-host bar. The Polynesian Dancers will take the stage at 6:00 pm, and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. The menu will include tropical salad, Hawaiian pork served with a Hawaiian sweet roll, rice, green beans, coconut shrimp, teriyaki drumsticks, fruit salad, ice cream, ice tea and coffee. Barbara Stelter is coordinating the dessert auction and anyone bringing a dessert for the auction please sign up with her in advance so she knows who is bringing what. Also, there will be a silent auction to support the Christmas for Kids Charity and attendees are asked to please bring items to include in the silent auction. Anyone who brings an item for either auction will have their name entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card. This event is free to RCCS members with current dues paid by the August meeting. Friends are welcome at \$35.00 per person. If you say you are coming and don’t show, you will be charged \$35.00 per person. Don’t forget to wear your best Hawaiian shirts, skirts, dresses, and/or shorts!

August 28, 2016 – Harris Center for the Arts: This event has been cancelled.

September 16, 2016 – Full Moon Run – Chuck/Joyce Sathre: This is a Friday run. Participants will meet at Walmart, 5454 Crossings Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677. (Located within the Rocklin Crossings shopping center at Sierra College Boulevard and Interstate 80) at 2:00 pm and depart at 2:30 pm. The group will travel to Kings Beach and enjoy dinner lakeside at Jason's Beachside Grille, 8338 North Lake Blvd (hwy 28), Kings Beach, CA, 530-546-3315. The group will then drive around Lake Tahoe, from Kings Beach to Zepher Cove "topless". Dessert and a night-cap (BYOB) will be at the Sathre's home in Zepher Cove. For those wanting to spend the night, lodging opportunities have been arranged at Montbleu Resort Casino and Spa, 55 Highway 50, Lake Tahoe, NV, 89449. Twelve king rooms at \$109.99 and three deluxe rooms with 2 queen beds at \$129.99 have been placed on hold. Call 800-648-3353 and give them group code STRCCC6 or identify yourself as being with the River City Corvettes. You can also make reservations online at www.MontBleuResort.com by inserting the group code in the "offer code" box. Room tax is 13% and the hotel tax is \$19.99 per day. There will be an additional charge of \$20.00 per person over double occupancy. Rooms will be available at this price until August 17th. Joyce indicated Jason's Beachside Grille can only accommodate 30 persons in their outdoor seating area. She passed around a sign-up sheet and indicated if more than 30 persons were interested in attending, she would do her best to accommodate everyone.

September 24-25, 2016 – Fall Colors Run - Rudy Antonucci: This is a Saturday-Sunday run. Participants will meet at Rudy's Hideaway, 12303 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova, CA, 95742, (916)351-0606. Lunch will be at the Alpine Café. Overnight accommodations will be at the Carson Valley Inn Casino, 1627 U.S. Hwy 395N, Minden, Nevada, 89423, (775) 783-6629 or (800) 321-6983, extension #1; (www.carsonvalleyinn.com). A block of 25+ non-smoking/king bed rooms have been reserved. Room rate is \$105. Participants will enjoy a buffet style dinner at the Carson Valley Inn Casino on Saturday. Dinner will cost \$27.00 single/\$54.00 couple and Rudy is requesting all participants pay for their dinners in advance. Payment can be made to Rick Sutter at the September 1st meeting (checks payable to "RCCS"). There will be private parking for our Corvettes with security patrols at the casino. On Sunday, the group will travel to the Bridgeport/Twin Lakes area to take in all the fall colors and grab lunch in Bridgeport before heading home. If you are interested in attending this run, please contact Rudy.

October 14-16, 2016 – Fort Bragg Run – Joan Mason/Rick Sutter: This is a Friday – Sunday run. Participants will meet at the Carl's Jr. Restaurant, 3776 Northgate Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 646-9930, at 8:30 am and will depart Sacramento at approximately 9:00 am. Lunch will be at Gott's Roadside, 933 Main Street, St. Helena, CA 94574, (707) 963-3486, (www.gotts.com). The café offers soups, salads, fish tacos, hotdogs and hamburgers. The group will make a pit stop at Anderson Valley Brewing Company, 17700 Highway 253, Boonville, CA 95415, (707) 895-2337, (www.avbc.com), before arriving in Fort Bragg. Lodging will be at the Harbor Lite Lodge, 120 North Harbor Drive, Fort Bragg, CA 95437, (707) 964-0221, (www.harborlitelodge.com). 20 rooms have been reserved as follows: 5 view-ground floor w/queen beds @ \$103.20+tax; 6 view-ground floor w/king bed @ \$111.20+tax; 3 deluxe rooms @ \$143.20+tax. Make your reservation by calling 800-643-2700 as soon as possible. There will be a hospitality suite for the participants on Friday night starting around 5:30 pm. Please bring your favorite appetizer to share. Participants are on their own for dinner if still hungry. The group dinner will be at 6:30 pm on Saturday evening at Silver's Wharf Restaurant, 32260 North Harbor Drive, Fort Bragg, CA 95437, (707) 964-4283, (www.wharf-restaurant.com). Arrangements have been made for separate checks. This year the group will be taking a new route from Sacramento to Fort Bragg which is promised to be "less twisty and more scenic". Those members unable to attend the overnight run are encouraged to join the group on Friday morning for the trip up to St. Helena and enjoy lunch together. Things to do in Fort Bragg

include but are not limited to Glass Beach, Skunk Train, Mendocino Botanical Gardens, Point Cabrillo Lighthouse, Giant Redwoods, shopping in Mendocino or Fort Bragg, and multiple wineries. A flyer was placed on the tables. Call Joan Mason at 722-7858 or Rick Sutter at 941-0736 for more information.

Raffle – Round Two: The remaining raffle tickets were drawn for the final round of donated gifts. Total raffle intake was \$335. The 50/50 portion of the raffle totaled \$165, resulting in two 50/50 drawing prizes totaling \$83. Robert Hinchman was the lucky winner of a \$41 prize and Terrie Neil was the lucky winner of a \$42 prize.

Jokester of the Month – Ed Dunbar: Shared four jokes with the attendees. The first was about a healthy man who attended a church service where Jessie Jackson and Al Sharpton each prayed over him and told him “you will walk today”. When the man left the service his vehicle was gone. The second was about a man who was discussing the nuances of the seat comfort system in a new Ford truck and trying to determine if the system was more akin to Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump, based on the direction and temperature of the air emanating from the seat. The third was about a wedding ceremony and the chaos that occurred after the preacher asked if anyone had any objections to the marriage and a woman with a small child approached the preacher. The fourth was about a man who found a good way to protect his house and family while saving the money he previously spent on a security system and monitoring.

Corvette of the Month – John Klunder: John announced the August 2016 Corvette of the Month winners as Rod and Barbara Stelter. They have been members of the RCCS since 1980 and have owned five different Corvettes. John presented the couple with a nicely framed picture of their 2006 Monterey Red coupe.

Robert thanked Jerry Neil and Terrie Hunt for bringing cookies and ice cream with all the toppings to the meeting in celebration of the August birthdays.

Peter and Bonnie Bradt volunteered to bring the treats to our next meeting to celebrate September birthdays.

Anne Dunbar made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a 2nd by Jim Bartylla. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully and humbly submitted by Keri Berkler

Happy September Birthdays to: Roger Bickford; Hope Bickford; John Childers; Cathy Childers; Patty Doherty; Dave Gaustad; Connie Gaustad; Kathy Greene; Clarke Henderson; Margo Henderson; Helen Little; Chuck Marchand; Tom Mason; Joan Mason; James Mounce; John Reese; and Charity Smith

Thanks to the August Raffle Donors: Don & Susan Hess, Sue Facciola & Keri Berkler, John & Carol Klunder, Jerry Neil & Terrie Hunt, Bob & Diana Schneider, Bill & Karen Vasile, Tom & Patty Doherty, Ron & Jeanie Kayl, John & Carol Cicotte, Rod & Barbara Stelter, Steven & Patti Pierce, Tim & Kathy Wright, Peter & Bonnie Bradt, Chuck & Joyce Sathre, David and Shila Froehlich, and Bob & Diana Schneider.

Thank you to our **Phone Tree People**... they are: Patti Herberger (phone tree manager), Rosie Bjornsen, Rick Sutter, Patty Doherty, Marty Farnetti, Kathy Greene, Roberta Hinchman, Lisa McNatt, Charity & Gary Smith, LaRee Brunelli and Chuck Sanchuk. These people really help us coordinate our events!!

A SPECIAL NOTE to support our fellow members that have businesses selling goods and/or services; Check our web site www.rivercitycorvettes.org for a list of those members and their businesses; they'll appreciate it!!

RCCS - Officers & Volunteers for 2015/2016			
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SAFETY NOTICE: We have nice cars in our club and some of us like to drive very fast, but it's very important to put **SAFETY FIRST!!!** If you are not comfortable going fast, especially on a club run, please stay within your speed comfort zone. Stay toward the back of the pack, or volunteer to run with a slower group, if possible. It's better to show up at the next location a little late, then to drive faster than you feel safe!