

**HIGH SIERRA CORVETTES MEMBERS MEETING
THURSDAY APRIL 20TH, 2017 (@APPLE ALLEY)**

Meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by President Hank Bradanini. The meeting was attended by 46 members and 4 guests.

Hank asked Dave Garber to talk about the plans for Gary Hill's Celebration of Life on Saturday, April 22nd at 1:00pm at the Veteran's Hall in Grass Valley. After the service, the Garber's are hosting a "Moose Milk & Memories of Gary" gathering at their home. Several members of the North Bay Club, HSCC members, family members and other friends are expected to attend. Since Dave is having open heart surgery on Monday, they were asking that anyone attending help out by bringing an appetizer, main dish or desert. Cap Wallington spoke about the actual ceremony since he is acting as emcee for the formal military portion. This will include a bagpiper, 21-gun salute, the playing of taps, singing of Amazing Grace and a flag folding ceremony. Bruce Puphal has large blue bows for the windshields of the corvettes, Carol Puphal has leis and Becky Boyes has made red lapel ribbons for all who attend. The set-up crew volunteers were asked to be there at 11:30am. Currently over 150 people are expected to attend the ceremony.

Membership Director's Report

Suzie

Introduce Guests: We had four new guests at tonight's meeting. The first couple was John and Sharon Beckwith. Also in attendance was John and Lorna Hutcheson. They all joined our club at the meeting

Birthdays: Sue Waid (Apr 6), Valerie Hudelson (Apr 10), Rick Utermoehlen (Apr 12), Gordon Mulay (Apr15), Monica Perkins (Apr 19), Tom Contratto (Apr 30)

Anniversaries: Rick & Cheryl Zahm (Apr 19)

Sunshine Report

Suzie

Suzie Bradanini reported that a card had been sent to Rod Ferreira for Trudie's passing. She also mentioned that she sent a get-well card to Frank Perkins, who was having surgery on his shoulder, and asked Nita if she had any more information on his status. Nita said that she had gotten a call from Monica who said that due to some complications during surgery prep, the operation was called off. No information on when it will be re-scheduled.

Treasurer's Report

Nita

Treasurer, Nita Jacobsen gave her report. A detailed copy of the report is available upon request.

Correspondence

Nita

There was none to report.

Social Activities/Committee Reports

Hank

Dash & Dine – March 24th, Egg Ranch

Suzie

Hank was to meet some of members at 4:00pm at the Kmart parking lot (somehow, he and the Hartwigs missed each other) and the Penn Valley contingent was meeting elsewhere. They all drove out to the home of their friends Erin & Carlos, which is located at the very end of Perimeter Road. They raise exotic and endangered breeds of chickens and they also sell some of

the eggs. After a tour of the operation they had Papa Murphy's Pizza. The home and setting was beautiful, the chicken operation was very interesting and everyone who attended had a great time.

Dash & Dine – April 2nd, Monte Vista Inn

Becky

Rick Utermoehlen organized a short trip up to the Monte Vista Inn in Dutch Flat. We met at the Apple Alley parking lot and took Hwy 174 towards Colfax, proceeded up back roads passed Rollins Lake, crossing over Hwy 80 several times but never getting on the freeway to the Inn. The food was excellent along with the wine list. Only four cars started the trip, one other joined us for the ride home and everyone seemed to have a great time.

Dash & Dine – April 19th, Tripps Auto Body

Suzie

Hank and Suzie planned a tour of Tripps Auto Body's new location, including close up of "the sinkhole" and then dinner afterwards at Casa Las Katerinas in Alta Sierra. We had a great turnout, over 20 corvettes, the tour of the body shop was very informative and dinner was great. We had 44 people come to dinner.

Dash & Dine – May, date TBD

Tom

Tom said we are working on some ideas for something fun for the members to do and will have more details soon. One idea is go-carting followed by dinner. Due to the number of activities already scheduled for May, we will probably move the date to June or July.

Beale Air Force Base Tour – May 19th, 2017 (Friday)

Rod

Rod Ferreira said that he has had quite the response from members and only has only two slots left. So far, the plans include a tour of the SR71 (also known as the Blackbird), a demonstration by military working dogs and their handlers, a flight line demonstration and a space suite demonstration. Lunch will follow in the base cafeteria, prices range between \$4.00 and \$10.00.

Penn Valley Rodeo Parade – May 20th, 2017

Bruce

Nineteen cars have signed up to participate so far. We will be staging at Gateway Park in Penn Valley, probably with the oldest cars up front. Cap sent around a sign-up sheet requesting info on the type of corvette each member drives so that he can start to organize the car order. At the end of the parade we will proceed to the Garber's home for a BBQ. Due to Dave's surgery, we may need volunteers to man the BBQ. More details to follow as they become available.

Ladies Social and Men's Luncheon – May 24th & 27th, 2017

Suzie/Anthony

Suzie has been spearheading plans for a box lunch at Steve & Estella Bluestein's home in Cedar Ridge on Wednesday, May 24th. She has been working with a caterer who will provide the box lunches for a cost of \$13.00 or less. A sign-up sheet was sent around for those who plan on attending.

The plan is for the men to go to The Range in Grass Valley for some target practice and then Anthony will lead them on a mystery run for lunch. This is planned for Saturday, May 27th.

Anniversary Celebration – June 19th-22nd, 2017

Nita

Nita Jacobsen reported that so far over 20 rooms have been requested, deadline for the balance of the trip cost is May 18th. Nita also sent out an email with a list of the top activities and their related costs along with an order form for the official anniversary party tee shirt. The tee shirt is no charge for those members who are going on the run and \$10.00 each for any other members who would like to purchase one. Nita also requested that members send in payment for the activities as soon as possible because some of the committee members have used their credit cards to reserve spaces for the members who wish to participate.

July 4th Fireworks

Gary R

Gary and Bonnie Reifel have offered their home for a 4th of July get together. It is located in Lake

Wildwood, just opposite from where the fireworks are shot off. Details such as times and menu are still being worked out, but you will need to bring your own chairs and due to limited parking carpooling is advised. One idea is that everyone bring their own crockpot of chile.

Fireside Lodge, Lake Tahoe – August 4th-6th

Julie S/Kris G

Julie and Kris have put together a two-night stay at the Fireside Lodge in Lake Tahoe. The lodge is a small boutique facility where each room has its own theme. The rooms have kitchenettes, and one or two queen size beds. The rate is \$199.00 or \$259.00/night. This also includes breakfast, an afternoon wine gathering and snacks throughout the day. The Fireside Lodge is completely booked and alternative suggestions for lodging are the Tahoe Beach Retreat and Lodge or the Hotel Azure. They asked that people who are still interested in going book soon because rooms fill up fast. Also we can get a better rate if ten or more rooms are booked. They are planning a BBQ for one night and dinner at an Italian Restaurant for the other. Saturday will be a free day and on Sunday they are trying to put together a private tour of The Thunderbird House. Emails will be sent with details as they become available.

HSCC Club Annual Club Picnic, August 26th

Ray/Cathy

This year is the Club's 10th Anniversary and we will be holding our annual picnic at Ray and Cathy Shepard's home in Lake Wildwood. Please save the date now.

Racing Committee Report

Hank

If you are interested in learning about the different racing groups and their schedules, check these websites out:

Check the WSCC site for this year's racing schedule www.wscs.hs

Check on Hooked on Driving for their schedule: www.hookedondriving.com

Check No. Calif. Racing Club: www.ncracing.org

Also you can check with Rod Ferreira for additional information on specific events.

Old Business

Hank

Ronald McDonald House Trip

Suzie

We are going to postpone this trip until the weather improves so that we can put together a BBQ for the current residents as well as deliver our pull-tabs.

Wine Cellar Raffle

Anthony

Anthony gave a final report on the results of last month's Instant Wine Cellar Raffle. The Raffle was won by Gordon & Linda Mulay, who received 3 cases of wine. The raffle raised \$350.00 for our Anniversary Trip. Anthony also read a humorous story called The 5.37 Taco Bell meal. Copies are available for anyone who would like one, contact Becky Boyes.

New Business

Hank

Quick Corvette Tip or Fact

Tom

This is a new feature that will be presented each month but due to the length of the meeting, first tip was postponed until next month.

Reminders

Save your pull-tabs & hotel items & check the WSCC web calendar – www.wscs.ws

Adjourn meeting

Meeting was adjourned by President Hank Bradanini at 7:09pm.

Raffle

50/50 raffle was held, total amount raised was \$130.00. The winners were Anthony & Charlene Halby and they received \$65.00, the balance will be added to the raffle account. This puts our raffle account balance over \$500.00 so at our next meeting we will be selecting which charity that we will send our donation to. We also raffled off a spring basket, won by Keith & Daisy Hartwig, and a gift certificate for an overnight stay at a B & B in Nevada City that was won by Scott & Cyndie Purdie. These items raised an additional \$100.00 for the Anniversary Trip fund.

Minutes of the meeting respectfully submitted by Becky Boyes, HSCC Club Secretary