

## ***From the President***

June 2017

June is here, school is out and the traditional summer months are upon us. The days are longer and so is the list of car related events on the calendar page of our website. There are so many car shows and cruises that even with all of the other demands for your time you will find events to attend when you do get some quality time with your favorite car.

There are many, but I will list a few that should be on your list: Vettes on the River (LeClair, IA.), Lisbon (IA.) Cabbage Head Car Show or Country Cruiser's Car Cruise (Manchester, IA.) and the biggest of them all... Back to the Fifties (St. Paul, MN.). Check out everything on our website regularly, especially the Calendar page where you will find all of the events and details you need to plug any gaps in your calendar. We are in prime Corvette season. Plan a day and get out there because in just six short months you will be shoveling snow.

Certainly one car show you want to make if at all possible is the CRCC's own "Crusin' the Ave" car show on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Our new location on the track at Hawkeye Downs Speedway should make for a unique and fun experience for our participants. There will be concessions for food, a Band providing great music and a number of vendors selling a variety of items. If you can make it out that day please do, it should be a great show. If you can help out with some of the work that needs to be done that will also help to make the show a good one. Contact Dick Butschi to get on the worker list: 319-360-1939 or [captart@fmtcs.com](mailto:captart@fmtcs.com).

A big "Thank you!" goes out to those members who took their clean cars out in all-day rain to help with the Houby Days parade in Czech Village. They then had to get their cars cleaned up for "Cruising for Camp Courageous" the next day. It was cloudy, windy and cold at Camp C. but at least no rain. They did have good attendance for another great show. The CRCC continued its tradition of winning the club participation award and returning the cash prize to the camp along with our \$1000. donation funded by last year's Homecoming parades.

In other club news, very soon there will be another tool for you to use to see what's going on with the CRCC and it's members. We will soon be announcing a CRCC Facebook page. While our website will continue to be the primary source for all club related information for past, current, and future events the Facebook page will provide an interactive site for members to post Corvette and club related stories and pictures. The Facebook page should also give our club added public visibility to social media users.

Also, look for an announcement soon that you will be able to sign up for this season's Homecoming parades. Seems early but Tracy R. already has a few schools signed up. Rolling out this year's on-line sign-up program has been no easy task. Due to some obsolescence imbedded in the software code the program was found to be unworkable this last winter and needed to be overhauled. You can thank fellow member Geof K. for all of his hard work to get it fixed up and working great.

Drive safe, Chris

## Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

May 18, 2017

### Meeting Minutes

President Chris Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

President Chris Thompson shared the drawing of the general layout for our car show on June 10<sup>th</sup> at Hawkeye Downs.

President Chris Thompson welcomed and thanked members for coming to the May meeting. There were 57 members in attendance.

#### **Good and Wellness:**

John & Audrey Dolphin welcomed a new grandson into the family on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Tracy & Sue Rudd became first time grandparents with the birth of their grandson on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

President Chris Thompson wished for the best possible result and recovery for Garland Groom, Terry Kocher, and Bob Baker.

President Chris Thompson read thank you notes from:

- Doug and Sarah Schoon for the memorial donation in memory of Doug's mother.
- Dave and Chris Bauer for the memorial donation in memory of Chris' dad.
- Catherine McAuley Center for the donation of toiletry items.

President Chris Thompson read the list of members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month of May.

President Chris Thompson thanked Jim McLaughlin for setting up the May dinner at Sally's in Springville on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

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

President Chris Thompson asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. There were no corrections or additions. President Chris Thompson called for a motion to approve the April 2017 meeting minutes as presented. **A motion was made by Paul Hildebrand and was seconded by Dick Butschi to approve the April 2017 meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed.**

**Secretary Lori Brendes** reported that she sent a sympathy card to:

- John Parham (J & P Cycle) family.

Lori sent get-well cards to:

- Terry Kocher
- Garland Groom

She sent a thinking of you card to:

- Bob Baker

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

Treasurer Larry Bushaw presented the April/May financial report. President Chris Thompson called for a motion to approve the April/May 2017 financial report as presented. **A motion was made by Lyle Knutson and was seconded by John Dolphin to approve the April/May financial report as presented. The motion passed.**

**Webmaster Larry Bushaw** – more information is being added so check out the calendar page.

**Vice President Diane Bowen** – no report

**Governor Garland Groom**- was not present- no report

**Competition Director Mark Hamer** encouraged everyone to bring as many vehicles as possible to our Corvette Car Show to fill up the Hawkeye Downs track.

- July 8<sup>th</sup> is our practice autocross.

### **Social Director Jim McLaughlin**

- We had 36 people attend the April dinner at Sally's in Springville.
- Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> is the Camp Courageous Car Show. We will meet at the Walmart in Marion at 10:00.
- June 1<sup>st</sup> is the Kernel's game. We can take 9 to 10 cars drive around the warning track (weather permitting). We need to sell 50 tickets. The tickets are \$8 each.
- The June dinner cruise is Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at Millstream Brau Haus (Old Colony Inn) in Amana. We will leave the SW Target Store at 5:30 PM.
- Monday night June 26<sup>th</sup> will be a wine/beer tasting at Wine Styles from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. It is located in the new Berthel Fisher Building off of Edgewood Rd.

**Homecoming Director Tracy Rudd** sent out the preseason letters to the high schools. He received 6 contracts back so far:

- September 14<sup>th</sup> - Clear Creek Amana (8 cars)

- September 15<sup>th</sup> - Prairie (8 cars)
- September 27<sup>th</sup> - Kennedy (18 cars)
- September 28<sup>th</sup> - Anamosa (7 cars)
- October 6<sup>th</sup> - University of Iowa (16-18 cars)
- October 6<sup>th</sup> - Marion (9 cars)

**Editor Chris Thompson** announced articles for the June newsletter are due by Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Monthly newsletters can be accessed on the club website.

**Historian Sue Rudd** – no report

**Email Messenger Bob Bowen** – no report

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

**Car Show Committee** - Dick Butschi shared:

- The need to have people sign up to help with the Car Show.
- New workers will get a free shirt. If you need a shirt they are \$10.
- The car show bag stuffing date will be emailed soon.
- If you have garage sale items for the garage sale table, bring those items the night of the bag stuffing.
- Silent auction items are coming in.
- Vendors will pay to have a booth and they will donate items for the silent auction table.
- A questionnaire will be included with the ballots to get feedback from participants.
- Breakfast will be at 6:30AM at Perkins on 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave. the day of the show.
- Randy Sander shared the ticket sale status totaled \$1800 so far.

### **Old Business**

- We need to look into getting on Social media to promote our car show.

### **New Business** –

- Houbby Days Parade is Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Parade starts at 10:00 AM.
- Honor Flight is Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Jerry Elm is going on this flight.
- NCM Banner renewal. 10-months for \$425. To avoid having worn and faded banners most of the summer, the NCM is going to a reduced cost 10-month cycle for two years so by the 2019 season they will be deploying banners in April instead of August. Those in attendance showed approval for the NCM banner renewal by a show of hands.
- Dave Marsden is looking for three people to help out Saturday morning at 8:30 to set up at Camp Courageous for the car show on Sunday. They will leave the Marion Walmart at 7:45.
- Paul Hildebrand has C7 pins available for members who have a C7.

Secretary Diane Bowen announced the 50/50 amount.

The 50/50 drawing winner was Jerry Adams.

President Chris Thompson called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Carol Cummings and seconded by Terry Primrose to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

The next CRCC monthly meeting will be Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 7:00 at Pat McGrath Chevyland.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Lori Brendes