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## **River City Corvettes of Sacramento**

### **April 2011 Newsletter**

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*Business Meetings start at 7 pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Dante Club. No food will be served at the meeting, but there are nice restaurants close to the Dante Club. Next meeting is May 5, 2011.*

#### **President Rick Sutter's Message**

*I am writing my message this month prior to the meeting as Marge and I will be on a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cruise for one of our neighbors the first week of April.*

*Thanks to Craig Burnett, our club had another successful Crab Feed. I can tell you first hand how much work it is to be in charge of our Crab Feeds. This year we had 190 in attendance, raffle prizes totaling approximately \$3,600 and had a net profit for the raffle and 50/50 of \$1,716. I would also like to thank those who helped decorate, brought or solicited raffle gifts from businesses, brought guests, sold raffle tickets and helped with the raffle. A special thanks to Terrie Hunt who again donated a flat screen TV and Performance Chevrolet who, as they do each year, came through with several raffle gifts.*

*Kudos to Dennis and Marj Kocher who put on one great run to the Simi Valley! Their run would have made a long time club member proud and this was the Kocher's first 3-day run. They thought of everything including a chartered bus to take across town to the Griffith Observatory, discount coupons at the Elephant Bar and an inexpensive hotel with great rooms and a complementary breakfast, complete with made to order omelets. Each person going on the run received a special surprise when we arrived at the hotel - one of Marj's beautiful personalized hand painted Ronald Reagan Library run commemorative wine glasses. The highlight of the weekend for me was our tour of the Ronald Reagan Library, especially our walk through of Air Force One. Way to go guys.*

*Congratulations to Bill and Karen Vasile for being named car of the month. Bill and Karen have been members of the club since 2009. This year when Roger announced his car was for sale, I panicked that we might not find a member to take over our website, but then along came Bill. If you have not checked out our website lately, you should do so. Bill has spent many hours enhancing our site. Thank you Bill.*

*Have a great April and hope to see you one of our runs this month.*

#### **Vice President Craig Burnett's Message**

*The Crab Feed was held at the Dante Club on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. I sincerely appreciate the volunteers who helped with decorating the tables and placing the reserved signs. Also, thanks to those who helped run the raffle, hand out prizes and count the money. The dinner was great and I think everyone got enough crab to eat. About 180 attended and thanks to all of our sponsors and volunteers for the raffle gifts. We netted \$1,716 for Kops to Kids. We danced to the tunes spun by our favorite DJ, Brian Bills and his singer sidekick, Jerry and his two lady friends. As our crab feed was held late in the season, many had been invited to several crab feeds and therefore weren't too inclined to attend another one. Therefore, with Rick's and the Board's approval, the Crab Feed next year will be on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012.*

*At tonight's meeting we netted approximately \$270 from our raffle and split the pot. Our members are really coming through with some nice gifts to raffle off! Much thanks to the Kocher's and Crenshaw's for their professional job of running the raffle!*

*Rick and I would like your input regarding the Club hosting the scheduled Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> this year. It is a lot of work, but we'll be happy to have a party if we have enough interest. Approximately 20 members raised their hands at the meeting, but we need the rest of the members' input. Please email either Rick or me your vote.*

A big thank your to every one who brings a nice gift to our monthly business meeting. Bring anything you would like to win and it doesn't have to be Corvette related. We sell raffle tickets at the beginning of the meetings and this in turn gives all of us a chance to win a nice prize and money. Our raffle volunteers, Dennis & Marj Kocher and Bill & Gayle Crenshaw work very hard and make the raffle fun and an important fund raiser for the Club. THANK YOU!!!

### **RCCS Business Meeting Minutes (April 7, 2011)**

Vice-President Craig Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Tom Mason made the motion to accept the minutes of the February meeting, Jack Harris seconded.

Treasurer's report was given by Gary Smith.

Rosie announced that there were no first time visitors and read the list of April birthdays. It was Bob Hinchman's that night. Thank you to Jim and Diane Mork for the cakes.

#### **Past events: Craig Burnett**

**3/12 Crab Feed: Craig Burnett** – Netted \$1,716 from raffle. Next year it will be held in January to avoid crab burn-out.  
**3/18-3/20 Simi Valley Run; Dennis Kocher:** 11 cars participated. Next year it will be the presidential run, including both the Reagan and Nixon libraries. Anne Dunbar shared a commemorative wine glass that Marge Kocher had made for each participant.

**4/1 – 4/3 Pismo Beach Run; Jim Bartylla and Gary Smith:** Great weather & driving conditions and a super lunch in San Juan Bautista. Gaylord earned the title of "Mojito King" at the cocktail party Friday night. A picture of Brian Smolinsky on the bed with 8 women, all fully clothed, was shared. Unfortunately, Steve & Colleen Gibson's car broke down, and had to be towed. Thank you to Gary for supplying a AAA card. A bad fuel pump was the culprit. They rented a car, and continued the run.

**4/7 Daffodil Hill/Preston Castle Run; Joan Mason:** Rain, sleet, snow, & hail, didn't stop these dedicated veters. Daffodil Hill was closed when they got there, due to the weather. They ended up going to Volcano to use the potties. The castle was fascinating, and deemed to be haunted. It is an old institution for wayward boys and is currently being restored.

**2/26 Bowling; Brenda and Rosie:** Awards given out for high score: Scott (Tartar's future son-in-law) 1<sup>st</sup>, George Barnes 2<sup>nd</sup> and George Serrecchia (Mary Powell's significant other) and Bob Tarter (who also won for fastest ball) tied for 3<sup>rd</sup>. High series winners were George Barnes 1<sup>st</sup>; Jim Mork 2<sup>nd</sup> and Chuck Sathre 3<sup>rd</sup>. Low score, Diane Mork. Most improved, Cyndee Reed. Most unusual, Mickey DeCaro, who bowled with the gutter guards up. Thanks to Vince DeCaro for the certificates.

#### **Raffle**

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**4/17-4/21: Bonneville Run – Jack Harris & Rich Petrie** - Meet at Brookfield's on Hwy. 50. Spend the night in Fallon. There will be a grocery stop at Wendover. Staying at the Peppermill 3 nights for \$156. Salt Flat tour, Wendover AFB museum tour. Limited to 15 cars with CB's. \$100 per car to cover cost of tours. This is the longest, most scenic run of the decade. There will be contest to see who can identify a picture taken of the scenery along the way. They would like one more car to join them to make it 10. Call Jack or Rich for more info.

**4/29 Garden Tour; Val McMichael & Carol Klunder:** meet at High Hand Nursery at 9:00 AM. Private demo, coffee and snacks. You will be touring the gardens of Connie Gaustad, 350 bulbs, Yikes!, Kelly Stark, Patty Doherty, and Val McMichael. Wine and appetizers at Val's following tour. Val also took orders for women's shirts.

**4/29 Cicotte's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party:** They were not In attendance, so refer to Patti's email. Party will be at their house.

**5/6 Cinco de Mayo; Craig for Rick:** held in conjunction with Ranch Cordova Elks. \$12 pp, drinks at Elks prices, DJ Brian. Give checks made out to RCCC to Gary.

**5/13-5/15 San Simeon Run; Anne Dunbar & Kelly Barrington:** Meet at McDonald's on Pocket Rd. east of I-5 at 8:00, leave at 8:30. Reservation info on website and flyers. Possible pupu potluck / wine tasting Friday or Saturday night. Go to [HearstCastle.org](http://HearstCastle.org) for tour reservations.

**5/14 Taste of Carmichael; Mort Richman:** wine, beer, food, \$35 pp. Half the proceeds to go to Kops for Kids.

**5/21 Ladies Luncheon; Rosie & Dianne Burnett:** Sign-up to bring a salad or dessert. There is room for 40 ladies. It will be held at Rosie's, 5010 Arroyo St. Fair Oaks, at 1:00. Bring your own wine if you want it. There will be games, of course. RSVP by 5/5, to Rosie, Dianne, or Lisa McNatt.

**5/27-5/30 Memorial Day Weekend Ashland Run; Patti for Ralph Pockress:** Bard's Inn Best Western a new venue for us. Call Ally at 541 482-0049, she's off Wed.-Thur. All rooms are non-smoking and \$120. Oregon Caberet Sat. night "Holmes and Watson Save the Empire". The Cabaret Theater price for dinner and show is \$120 a couple and send checks to Ralph.

### **Raffle – 21 prizes tonight**

**6/8 Reno National Auto Museum; Dan Quigg:** We will be taking 50 over, and 80 back. If you are interested in staying the night in Reno let Dan or Rick know.

**6/17-6/19 Rogue River Run – Stelters and Sutters – Father's Day weekend, White Water Experience \$62 pp due by 4/1.** Make reservations at The Lodge at the Riverside 877 955-0600. King w/river view \$160 per night, standard king \$112.50, dbl. queens \$112.50, all plus tax. Mention RCCC to get these rates. Nine cars are signed up so far.

**10/29 Halloween Party – Craig –** There was a show of hands to see if there was enough interest to have the party. It is a go.

**Johnny K's Korner:** John told 3 hilarious jokes, concerning religion, the perfect husband and an ostrich. LOL

**Car of the Month: John Klunder –** Drum roll please. 1. It is a Corvette. 2. All Corvettes are not red. 3. Not virgins. 4. Not what he wanted. 5. It will look like what he wanted. Congratulations go to Bill & Karen Vasile Cyber Gray C-6 coupe.

There is a new catalog for shirts and jackets. See Jim Bjornsen.

Tom Doherty has hats for \$15; Tom thanked everyone for their cards and calls following his hip replacement.

It was announced that Bess Turrell will be having surgery next week.

New members see Klunders for name badges.

Dennis Kocher mentioned that Ken King has a group that meet returning veterans at the airport to welcome them home. Call Ken if you are interested in participating.

Thank you to Morks for the cakes and Performance Chevrolet for their continued support.

John Klunder made the motion to adjourn, and Brenda Mounce seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27

**Respectfully submitted by Kelly Barrington, Secretary**

**Happy May Birthdays to: Kevin Bowers 5/11; Jim Bryant 5/12; Steve (5/22) & Pamela (5/20) Cameron; Carolyn Cassidy 5/22; Michelle Cullenward 5/6; Colleen Gibson 5/22; Kerry Greene 5/10; Patti Herberger 5/28; Bonnie Holley 5/29; Genny King 5/3; Dennis Kocher 5/23; Diana Mork 5/27; Morton Richman 5/18; Marge Sutter 5/16; Phillip Towers 5/11; Craig Burnett 5/9; Norm Classen 5/29; Chuck Sathre 5/14 and Karen Vasile 5/20.**

**April Raffle Donors: the Mounces, Hinchmans, Barringtons, Dohertys, Klunders, Vasiles, Yates's, Dunbars, Bartyllas, Barnes's, Kochers, Gloriosos, Karams, Petries & Terrie Hunt and Jerry Neil.**

**Thank you to our Phone Tree People... they are: Patti Herberger (phone tree manager), Rosie Bjornsen, Pam Cameron, Dianne Burnett, Patty Doherty, Marty Farnetti, Kathy Greene, Margo Henderson, Dennis Kocher, Tom Mason, Lisa McNatt, Charity Smith, Terry Snow, Marge Sutter and Richard Whitmire. These people really help us coordinate our events!!**

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**SAFTETY 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 the slower group, if possible. It's better to show up at the next location a little late, than to drive at a speed you don't feel safe!**