



HELLGATE CORVETTE CLUB NEWSLETTER

July 12, 2018

**The next meeting will be August 2, 2018
Hamilton House, Victor, MT
Eat at 5:30, meeting at 7:00 pm**

Minutes from the July 12, 2018 Meeting

This month's meeting was held at Fort Fizzle, Lolo. Members present were Don Matlock, Marie Watts, Larry Jones, Duane and Shirley Shinn, Ron and Linda Benton, Sherri and Ed Schmidt, Steve and Deidre Slagle, Norm and Cathy Smyers, Paul Coonan, Phil Barba and Tammy, John and Elaine Christensen, and Gail Zella and her daughter Kristen.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Don Matlock. We had guests this evening – Jenna and Bob Opitz. They have a 2018 Z06 maroon Corvette. Bob told a little story about how he arrived at owning the car and everyone present introduced themselves and pointed out which car they arrived in this evening.

Everyone present agreed they had received the minutes from the previous meeting. Cathy presented a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Ed seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Larry did not have a printed copy of the financial report this month. He reported that the club had expenditures of \$100 to Jerry Zella for his participation in the Big Sky Meet this year and \$52 for stamps.

Old Business:

Showin' Off for Camp Mak-a-Dream was a big success. There were 63 cars registered and more showed up that did not register. The public participation was steady throughout the show. There were 88 raffle items and Paul wanted to thank all those who donated items for the raffle. Live radio was a no-show but everyone loved the shade on such a hot day. Sale of tickets for the raffle items brought in \$2650.

July 4th Parade at Seeley Lake – We had 10 cars from the club participate in the parade. Tim Kanavel, who is a new member, was able to join us in his 1984 white coupe. Thank you Marty Kux for getting the pizza ordered. Linda will get a thank you card in the mail to Dick and Cindy Lewis for allowing us to park on their lawn to have lunch and stage for the parade. There was a new rule this

year that candy could not be thrown so we had to hand candy out as we drove in the parade – kinda like handing out candy at Halloween.

New Business:

Our yearly donation to a charity is coming up. This year's recipient will be Hospice Care Foundation. Don will do some follow-up with them and set up a date when we can present our check. For those interested in a website to check out the integrity of a charity go to www.charitynavigator.org and you can find out the scoop on any charity you might want to donate to.

UPDATE – Don has been in contact with the Hospice Care Foundation and the director was blown away that we are going to give them our donation this year. We have set August 30 at 11:00 am, at 715 Kensington Avenue in Missoula to present our check. It would be wonderful for as many members as possible to show up for this presentation. Their director is Mrs. Montana and Don has offered her his car to have a photo shoot. It would be great to have a bunch of corvettes there to be in a photo shoot.

Other upcoming events:

July 15 – Trip out to Camp Mak-a-Dream to give the kids rides. Reminder – try to have a picture of your car to give to the kids who ride in your car. We will leave Karl Tyler Chevrolet and Cadillac at 11:00.

Glass on Grass, Spokane, WA, July 27-29. New location for this car show this year. It will be at Mirabeau Park, 1350 E. Mirabeau Parkway, Spokane. More information can be found at www.spokanecorvetteclub.com

Flint Creek Valley Days, Philipsburg, July 29 – Pre-registration is \$20 per car – deadline for pre-registration is July 23. Day of car show registration will be \$25 per car. We will leave Karl Tyler Chevrolet and Cadillac at 8:00 am. Registration form will be included in email with newsletter.

There was much discussion on our preparations for Big Sky 2019. Minutes of this portion of the meeting will be separate from this newsletter.

Next meeting – August 2 will be at Hamilton A Public House, aka Hamilton House in Victor. Turn right at the stop light in Victor and the Hamilton House will be on your right. Eat at 5:30 and meeting will be at 7:00.

The mosquitos ran us out at 8:10 – meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Benton
Co-Secretary, HCC

PS – Chuck Bell would like to remind everyone he has his collection of Corvette Magazine that he would like to give away. He has every issue and recipient must take all.

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