



HELLGATE CORVETTE CLUB NEWSLETTER

August 2, 2018

**The next meeting will be September 5, 2018
Jerry and Gail Zella's residence
580 Wapiti Loop, Hamilton, MT
Eat at 5:30, meeting at 7:00 pm**

Minutes from the August 2, 2018 Meeting

This month's meeting was held at the Hamilton House in Victor. Members present were Larry Jones, Ron Beck, Shirley Shinn, Ron and Linda Benton, Steve and Deidre Slagle, Norm and Cathy Smyers, Paul Coonan, and Jerry and Gail Zella.

Meeting began at 7:00.

There was a correction to last month's minutes. There was a misspelling of Gina Opitz's name. Everyone present agreed they had received the minutes from the previous meeting. Larry presented a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, Ron Benton seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Larry passed out the finance report. Income was \$497.00 received for the reimbursement for the polo shirts. Expenses were \$100 for the Big Sky attendance, \$200 to Camp Mak-a-Dream, \$65 for pizza for the 4th of July parade, \$41.49 for chicken for the last meeting, \$215.05 for stamps and office supplies, and \$497 for the polo shirts. Ron Beck presented a motion to accept the finance report as presented, Jerry seconded and the motion carried.

We have some new members – Neal Olson with a 1993 Ruby Red Convertible and Jim and Wendy Neal with a 1998 Red Coupe. Welcome!

Correspondence:

A thank you card has been sent to Dick and Cindy Lewis thanking them for the use of their lawn as we staged for the 4th of July Parade.

An invitation was received from Tammy Bodlovic, Development Director at the Roxy Theater to attend a showing of American Graffiti at the Roxy on August 26 at 7:00 pm. The plan is to meet at Hoagieville on S Higgins at 5:00 pm and then cruise the drag one or two times before the show starts.

Cars will be parked across the street at the Senior Center. The lot will be roped off at 5:00 pm and there will be people there to direct and park cars as well as watch over them for those going to the movie. The radio station boomer 106.3 will be promoting the film and the cruise and cars on display and giving a shout out to those attending. Hoagieville would like a head count so if you'd like to go, let Linda know through the club email or call Ron at 406-370-3181. Tickets for the show are \$7.00 for 55+ and veterans and college students. Adults are \$8 and youth \$5. It is highly recommended that if you want to attend the show, get your tickets early.

An invitation came through Facebook to attend a car show in Laurel on September 29 that benefits the Shodiar Children's Hospital in Helena. Linda will ask for a registration form and will email that out to club members. Laurel is a long ways away but one of you may be traveling that way and could participate.

Marty Bauman from the Treasure State Corvette Club in Helena contacted us and stated that a Hellgate Corvette Member hijacked their club parade banner at the Big Sky Meet this year in Helena and would like to get it back. All members who registered and attended Big Sky as a member of the Hellgate Corvette Club were present at the meeting and were asked if they had taken the banner. All responded that they had not. There was some discussion as to what this does to the reputation of the Hellgate Corvette Club. Even though our club has denied any guilt, Larry felt that we should offer to replace their banner and presented a motion to do so. Ron Beck seconded the motion and motion carried. There was also discussion about the banner that Helena had for the Big Sky Meet and that we would like to order one for the event next year when we host. Ron Benton presented a motion to purchase this banner with the idea that it will be passed on to Bozeman in 2020 when they host the meet. Larry seconded the motion and motion carried. Linda and Ron will work with the Helena club to get these two items purchased.

Old Business:

Taking the kids for a ride at Camp Mak-a-Dream was a huge success. There were 10 cars from our club and 7 cars from Helena. The Camp provided lunch for the group before giving the rides. Was wonderful to be able to join in with the kids for lunch.

Flint Creek Valley Days was also a huge success. Ron Beck said it was the biggest show ever with 123 total cars with 14 corvettes. The money received goes back into planning for next year. He said this year they were able to provide speakers that covered the entire area of the show for a cost of \$800 and that the \$5 tickets off a meal were purchased back from the vendors. We will look into purchasing some of the bags similar to the ones that were handed out to participants for Big Sky.

New Business:

The 106th annual Creamery Picnic is going to be held this coming weekend. Ron Benton sent out a message earlier asking for participation in the event.

The club will deliver our yearly donation to the Hospice Care Foundation on August 30 at 11:00 am at 715 Kensington Avenue in Missoula. We would like to have as many cars as possible for this.

We have scheduled a road trip to the museum in Paradise on August 19th and then go to Quinns Hot Springs to eat. We will leave Karl Tyler Chevrolet at 10:30 am.

The discussion on the preparation for Big Sky will not be included in this newsletter and will be sent out as a separate attachment to the club.

Next meeting – WEDNESDAY, September 5th at Jerry and Gail Zella’s residence at 580 Wapiti Loop in Hamilton. Gail is going to make lasagna so bring a salad or dessert and your beverage. Eat at 5:30 and meeting will be at 7:00. She needs a head count so she knows how many to prepare for. Let Linda know by Friday August 31 if you are attending and she will relay to Gail.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

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.

PSS – Some of you do not have a Facebook account so here are some tires for sale - \$100:

2 P275/40ZR18
2 P245/45ZR17

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