

Welcome to the Verde Valley Vettes

The Verde Valley Vettes was formed in August 1996 by a group of Corvette enthusiasts who wanted to enjoy their common interest and give back to their community. Located in central Arizona, the club is a member of the Roadrunner Region of the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC).

Throughout the year the club organizes events in support of local charities, such as the Big Brothers - Big Sisters Christmas giving program, and, through the NCCC, supports St. Judes Children's Research Hospital.

Members enjoy rallies, car shows, picnics, drive-outs, competitive driving and many other activities, all of which make owning a Corvette an even more enjoyable experience. **To join, e-mail Larry McCarty at llagp2@q.com or call him at 928-634-5745.**

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President's Message

Hello to all.

Fall is here and the weather has been unseasonably warm during the day but the evenings are definitely getting cooler ... winter is getting close.

The meeting last month was at our house followed by the annual chili dump and it was a big success with 15 people showing up. As usual the chili was excellent and we were fortunate enough to have great weather so we all sat out on our patio and enjoyed it.

We had the first nominations for officers. Larry McCarty and Tim Mogan were nominated for President, Ron Osborne, Dick Gozzi and Tia Gozzi for Vice President, Marilyn Canteloupe for Secretary and Connie Myers for Treasurer. The final nominations and elections will be held at the November meeting on the 20th at Annie's Restaurant. Everyone should try to attend to have a say as to who your officers will be.

Bernie, Connie and Dorothy & I went to Sierra Vista and had a great time. There was a people's choice car show in front of a 50's diner and we took a second place award with our new 2016 Corvette. Following the show there was a great rally that resembled our monopoly run and a poker run. There were several people from Sierra Vista that had attended our monopoly and poker runs last month and had a great time. They went home and started planning something similar. They did a wonderful job and called it The Game of Life. It was great. There were 15 participants. Bernie & Connie came in 10th and we were 12th. New members Scott and Debby Bigham went to participate in the autocross. Scott placed as high as 4th in one of the matching time events and Debby participated as a worker.

The Christmas party will be December 10 at 'Up the Creek' on Page Springs Road. There will be no host cocktails at 5:30pm and dinner will be at 6:30pm. Following dinner we will have a

rob your neighbor gift exchange. Each person who chooses to participate should bring a gift with a value of no more than \$20.

At 5:30 P.M. Tuesday, November 22 we will be doing our Christmas shopping at Walmart for Big Brothers Big Sisters. The date to wrap has not been determined yet. We'll decide at the November meeting.

We are going to participate in the Annual Cottonwood Christmas parade Saturday, December 3. This year's theme is Wild Wild West. All cars must be decorated in some fashion and we cannot have a Santa Clause. More about this at the November meeting. We want as many as possible to participate.

Walking on Main in Old Town Cottonwood was a big success. We had 6 cars from our club participate and there were more than 100 cars total.

Keep living the dream ... drive a Vette.

Jim Schade

Treasurer's Report (as of November 1) by Connie Myers

Club: \$3,407.24 BBBS: \$2305.59 Total: \$5712.83

December Birthdays:

Mona Keksis 12/5	Barbara Magnino 12/7
Russ Mendenhall 12/13	Marsha Rosenbarger 12/16

December Anniversary: Larry & Donna McCarty 12/29

For Sale:	C7 Corvette Bra (used once) - \$100
Contact	C7 Corvette stock mufflers - \$600
Tim Mogan	C7 Corvette car cover - \$45
928-284-2669	BMW Z4 Bra (new) - \$100

Welcome New Members: Scott & Debby Bigham

Our Next Meeting will be 9:30 A.M. Sunday, November 20 at Annie's Restaurant, 660 E. Mingus Ave. in Cottonwood.

NCCC Governor's Report

It's turkey time, well almost. The time of the year we get to shop and wrap for families in need here in the Valley. Once again we have topped the \$2,000 mark in the kids Christmas fund and will be helping make this another great holiday season. Cookies and fudge, the club entered in the Christmas Parade, the fun of wrapping presents, the club Christmas Party, cookies and fudge, seeing family and friends, snuggling up in front of the fire and did I mention cookies and fudge?

It has been a great year for the club, we have had some fun events and several members have traveled to other events around the region. Members have stepped up to work and make this a great year for all, and this was a special year as we celebrated the clubs 20th anniversary.

We are ending 2016 with the most members the club has ever had. I think that says a lot for our leadership.

Six cars attended the Walkin' on Main show Saturday and we had a lot of interest from people about the club. I handed out several apps. The kids from Mingus High Shop Class did a bang up job and topped over 100 cars. They want to build a T bucket hot rod for their next project and this event put them well on their way.

Bernie and I got together and did the 2017 NCCC renewals and I voted for the national officers and rule changes for the second time. Seems they had computer problems (and I'll probably get the blame) check out the rally rule changes on the NCCC web site some time at CorvettesNCCC.org.

I have talked to Andy a few times and he hopes to feel up to making the next meeting; hard to keep a good man down.

Don't forget the meeting for November has been moved up to the 20th due to Thanksgiving and we will be shopping for the kids 5:30 Tuesday the 22nd at Wal-Mart and we need your help.

The soon to be Ex-Gov.

Verde Valley Vettes October 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at Jim and Dorothy Schade's home, Cottonwood:

Our annual Chili Dump!

Jim Schade — President

Attendance: 15 members

President Jim Schade welcomed and thanked everyone for coming, and the September minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report by Connie Myers:

Our PC car show on Oct. 8 made \$203.87, the Monopoly Run made \$686.92, and Tire Pro will be sending us a check for \$200 to help pay for the awards. Our club fund balance is \$2,875.74 and Big Brothers/Big Sisters (BB/BS) fund has \$2,305.59. An invoice was mailed to Larry Green for sponsorship, and Larry McCarty contacted all members to remind them that membership dues are now due. Treasurer's report was approved.

Governor's Report by Larry McCarty:

All upcoming events are posted on our online calendar. If you are planning on attending an event, be sure to click on the link to get the full information and registration form since our newsletter usually carries only the minimum information.

Larry was able to get our two new members signed up right before the renewal website closed down. It will be down until November 19. Great job, Larry!

A big thank you resounded for Ron for managing our car show at G's on Oct. 8; everyone extended the thanks for the great carwash as well!

Larry went ahead and got dates sanctioned for next year: May 20 for our car show at Larry Green's and Oct. 6 & 7 for our PC car show, Monopoly Run and Poker Runs. Thank you, Larry, for all that you have done for us and continue to do!

And again, thinking ahead, Larry spoke with the new governor for the Colorado River Club about doing some combination events with them. They haven't had a sanctioned event in five or six years so the new governor is very interested generating more activity. The thought is somewhere along the lines of a poker run there for us and back for them, with other activities as well. This is just in the brainstorming stage but we all agreed we were interested.

Speaking of events, we are now the 2nd place club in our region due to the five events we held in October. Way to go, Verde Valley Vettes! We are second only to Sierra Vista, the #1 club in our region. It is important to mention that Sierra Vista did an awesome job of attending our October events; they had as many cars in our PC show as we did. And because our five October events, the Region again wants to return in October in 2017 to hold the regional meeting.

Upcoming events:

- **October 23:** Corvette Spooktacular PC Corvette Show, Desert Corvette Association, Phoenix. Contact Jim if you're going so the club can caravan there. Tim and Judi are planning on it. <http://www.verdevalleyvettes.com/calendar/october/Spooktacular2016.pdf>
- **November 4-6:** Corvette Thunder! Sierra Vista Multi-Event Weekend! Tim and Judi are going, as are Jim and Dorothy. Please contact them if you are going—it's so much more fun

when we all go together.
<https://93075438.domainhost.com/NCCCCompetitionDatabase/2016/Flyers/RR-328-Vette-Thunder-2016.pdf>

- **November 5:** 17th Annual Corvette Club of Arizona's All Chevy/Chevy Powered Show, "The Earnhardt Chevy Stampede," at Earnhardt Chevrolet in Chandler. <https://93075438.domainhost.com/NCCCCompetitionDatabase/2016/Flyers/RR-332-Earnhardt-Stampede-Flyer.pdf>
- **November 12:** Walkin' on Main in Cottonwood. Our club spent \$64 to provide awards again to help the Mingus car club. There is now a required fee of \$5 per car to enter, while in the past it was a suggested donation.
- **November 20:** Our November meeting! Remember, due to Thanksgiving, we pushed our monthly meeting up a week. We'll be back at Annie's in Cottonwood and voting for our new officers. Thank you, Jim and Dorothy, for arranging this.
- **November 22:** Our annual shopping trip at Walmart! This is where we get to shop and shop and shop without our why we've been earning all that money: shopping for our local children who wouldn't have much of a Christmas if it weren't for us. We'll meet at Walmart at 5:30 p.m. Be sure to bring your calculators and your walking shoes—and your Christmas spirit!
- **December 3:** Cottonwood Christmas Parade. Everyone loves a parade!! So far, we have six cars entering, and we would love to have more so please consider joining in on the fun. Jim is looking into getting a banner made that would fit on the front of a car (our banner is too large), and Dorothy is getting the entry form and further details. We were reminded that we cannot throw candy out from the cars due to safety issues for the children, but we can hand it out if we are

walking alongside the cars. This is a great, well-attended community event that really kicks off the holiday spirit. We hope you can make it!

- **December 10:** Our annual Christmas Party! Jim and Dorothy returned to Up the Creek in Page Springs recently and discovered it has new owners. After looking over the sample menus they supplied, we all agreed to return there for our holiday party. The motion was made and seconded. Thank you Jim and Dorothy, for all you do for the club, before we even think of it!

New Business:

Nominations for new (well, some are new!) officers:

- Governor: Bernie
- President: Larry and Tim (Jim respectfully declined)
- Vice President: Ron, Dick, and Tia
- Treasurer: Connie
- Secretary: Marilyn

All candidates for the positions were seconded and closed. There are white ballots for treasurer and secretary since there is only one candidate for each position. Renominations will take place at next month's meeting so it is not too late to get involved! Voting will also take place at the November meeting except for governor because...we all voted for Bernie to take over the position!! Congratulations Bernie! We know you are going to do such a great job for the club. We all really appreciate the fact you stepped up to this position. Way to keep the club alive!!

Our Annual Wrapping Party is coming! A present isn't really a present until it is wrapped, especially when it comes to Christmas. At our November meeting, we'll decide a date and

location to wrap all those goodies we are buying for the children at Walmart.

Old Business:

- Annual club dues are due in October: Club fees are \$59/couple and \$37 for single membership.
- Elections are coming up at our November meeting.
- The vote passed to up entry fees from \$1 per car to \$2 per Corvette.

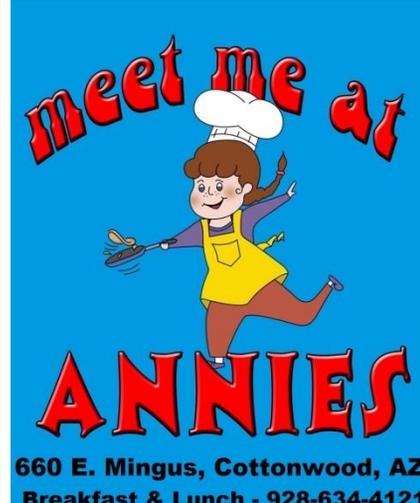
50/50 Raffle: \$47 total pot, and Loopy was the winner of \$23.50! Congratulations, Loopy!

Meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Canteloupe, Secretary

HELP! HELP! HELP!

Christmas is coming we need **YOUR** help to assist in shopping for gifts for disadvantaged children in the Verde Valley. Again this year, we have partnered with Yavapai Big Brothers - Big Sisters to provide Christmas presents to some of their most needy families. **PLEASE JOIN US** 5:30 P.M. Tuesday, November 22 at the Cottonwood Wal-Mart. This is a large endeavor. We will likely have two dozen children to shop for. BBBS will provide clothing sizes and wish lists for individual children and we will have approximately \$80-\$100 from our charity fund to spend on each child. Please come out and help us play Santa. Sometime in December (date to be determined at this month's meeting – watch the website calendar) we will wrap all these gifts and present them to a representative of BBBS for distribution. **Again, your help would be much appreciated.**



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