



## ❖ Council Meeting Minutes ❖

**November 12, 2009**

Present: Stephen Hopkins, Donnie Marchi, David Judd, Eric Goodman

### Old Business:

IRS: Steve found that the IRS charges \$400 to examine an application. He queried several other Corvette clubs that run car shows for charity and they have setup a separate 501 (c) (3) organization to handle it. Steve will check with other tax people to see if we should do the same as suggested by Shane LeMon.

Bylaws – need to get together with Shane David and Marcus next week.

Publish changes a MONTH previous ahead of the vote;

Present at the next meeting

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> Pistachio Run; Brunch 10-2PM; Weather good, small turn out. Arney's Eshinger's Hopkins and met Dave and Jeanne at the restaurant.

Tommy Griego's Museum – private collection; give a donation; See Spanish Heratage; November – Sammy! Near Old Town area; Meet at Scotty's

Banquet – Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> Sadies 1 block South of Owl Café on Eubank Same parking lot;

Elections – We have candidates for all offices.

Christmas – Need door prizes & ticket taker; They'll Settle up with restaurant later.

Membership – still unable to contact Marty to retrieve the materials.

### New Business:

Eric Goodman presented his excellent progress on setting for the Supernationals car show. He and Steve will get together to see what materials are in the club storage shed at Shane LeMon's office.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephen Hopkins for Cindy Hopkins*

Cindy Hopkins, NMCA Secretary



❖ **General Meeting Minutes** ❖

**November 20, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Stephen Hopkins.

Among our visitors were Barbara and Jim Toffee and Liza Bunting, daughter of Brenda and Marcus.

We will socialize after meeting at the Owl Cafe.

We will make Scotty and Phil Ellison Honorary Members of NMCA, along with Fay Godfrey.

The number of our Membership needs to be sent to NCCC by Dec. 15, 2009.

The Person of the Year will be selected by secret ballot tonight. Steve and Jean Haydu will do the tally.

We will announce the results at the **December Christmas Party meeting.**

Nominations for other officers:

	Who:	By:	Elected?
President	Steve Hopkins	Cindy Hopkins	Yes
Vice President	Mike Rothman	Donnie Marchi	Yes
Secretary	Doug Arney	Cathy Arney	Yes
Treasurer	Brenda Bunting	Lori Jordan	Yes
Activities Director	Shane LeMon	Dusty Marchi	Yes

The Activities Director will be the Chairman over the committees involved. For instance, Eric Goodman heads the Car Show committee. We will assign more assistants as needed.

On the subject of changing our IRS standing to 501 (c) (3), Steve Hopkins has received conflicting information on how to do this. The cost listed on the IRS site says we'd owe them \$400.00 for a new standing. Clubs I have talked to setup a (3) in parallel. We will hold off voting on this till we have more information.

Shane LeMon, Marcus Bunting and David Judd will present recommended changes to the bylaws and standing rules for discussion at the next December Executive meeting. The changes will be discussed at the January General meeting. We will be adjusting a few things like deleting the Newsletter.

The Bylaws and standing rules will be distributed to membership at least two weeks prior to the February General Meeting when it will be put to a vote. We'll present our adjustments at the January meeting. The Bylaws require 75% required to pass (15 members a quorum) at the February meeting. The standing rules only require a majority.

Past Events

The Pistachio run to Alamogordo was Sunday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. We had great weather and three couples attending: Steve and Cindy Hopkins, Doug and Cathy Arney, plus Ron and Robin Eschinger. We met at the Isotopes Park to drive to brunch at Casa De Suenos, a New Mexican Restaurant on 35 St. Francis Dr. in Tularosa, NM. David and Jeanne Shorter, members from Ruidoso were waiting for us at the restaurant. Afterwards, we shopped for pistachios and wine.

Hooter's East Halloween Car Show was held on Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup>. Attending were Rich Sherman, Steve Haydu, whose '62 Olds won Best Original Restored, Lori Jordan, who won Best Late Model, and Eric Goodman, won Best Truck.

On Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> Sierra Vista held a Funkhana Rally. Ron Scott went. His truck was not ready till Friday afternoon, so he left Saturday morning and had good time once he got there.



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**November 20, 2009 (continued)**

Maggie and Bob Kitts returned from their trip to China. The entertained us with their tales.

### Upcoming events

On Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> we will visit Sammy Griego's Museum on 1612 Isleta Blvd. At Noon we will meet at Jim Allen's Firestone Store at 10151 Coors Blvd. NW, just south of Alameda. Jim will give us a tour of his new store. Afterwards, we will caravan to the National Hispanic Cultural Center at 1701 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW, on the corner of Avenida César Chávez) at about 12:45 pm. We lunch at La Fondadel del Bosque restaurant (in the Center) around 1:30 pm. From there, we'll go to Sammy Griego's Museum and park in a church parking lot. The cost for lunch will be \$10-12 per person and for the museum, a donation of \$3 a person. We have about 13-16 members coming.

The NMCA Awards Dinner is Saturday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> at Sadie's at 7:00 pm. It will be \$22 a person for our own room and a dinner buffet. There'll be no gift exchange for the members, but we'll collect toys that are unwrapped in the box at the dinner. We can also bring canned food. We will pay at the door. \$22 includes a non alcoholic drink, the buffet and our own room. We took a Head count of 35 – 40 people planning to attend. We can also invite people with Corvettes to our dinner to get a "taste" of our club.

Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 - 2:30 pm we will deliver the toys to Joy Junction with a few Corvettes so we can take pictures of the kids with the cars. Mary at Joy Junction will be expecting us. Hugh Monroy suggested we buy disposable cameras and leave them with Joy Junction. Shane LeMon will pick up the cameras and we'll give money so they can develop the pictures. Volunteer cars include Shane LeMon and Steve Hopkins. We'll get more volunteers at the dinner along with the weather report.

The Supernationals will be held in the beginning of next year. Those representing our club will be Donnie Marchi, Shane LeMon, Jackie Haydo, Jack Stevens and Doug Arney. We'll use PVC painted red, white & blue for our border, carpet runners and plants between the cars and table linen under the forms and information about NMCA. The Corvettes will have matching signs and our members will wear white shirts with the club logo. The Signs for the cars are on our website. Simply fill out information and notify Steve Hopkins.

The President of the Chevrolet Club of Albuquerque would like our club to combine with them for the Casino Car Show. The Casino won't do a one day show, but they'll donate money for awards, etc.

Art Lites mentioned that Al Knock is still interested in giving us a tour. He has a 60's Corvette to restore. It would be best if we could visit on a Friday. He'd buy lunch and give us a 10% discount. We need to get a couple dates so that Art can get back to him. Mike Rothman recommended Al Knoch Interiors. Al's wife has an antique store next door. There's also a Warbirds Museum nearby. It would be a 4 -5 hour drive. We could make it a two day event. The club thought spring would be a good time to do this.

Vinny the Vette is a book written by a teacher for children in 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grades. Would the club be interested in this book? Bob Kitts will forward the email message to Steve Hopkins.

The next Council meeting will be at 6:00 pm Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Scotty's.

The next General Meeting will be replaced by the Awards Banquet at Sadie's 7:00 pm Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Hopkins*

Cindy Hopkins, NMCA Secretary