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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING September 8, 2009 at Oriental Wok

The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday 10/13/09 at the Oriental Wok.

resident Jack Buecker called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM

Those attending were: Charley Goettsch, Colin Conroy, Gene Cochran, Don & Susie Turner, Jon Hanas, Kurt Meier, Stan & Rita Bond, Randy & Marilyn Clark, Charlie Griffin, Jim & Pat Bishoff, Bob & Judy Wiltse, Duane Frank, Doug & Jessie Schwegman, Jack & Susan Buecker, Joe Lonneman, John Godman, Teddi Mangas-Coon and Dr. Julia Carter.

Jack mentioned that we had 213 cars at the Car Show which was the most ever. He gave special thanks to Gene Cochran for giving out flyers at other car shows and Kurt Meier for attending other car shows which resulted in 24 cars driving up from Louisville. There were so many members that did so much to make this show the most successful ever. The gross receipts were about \$22,600.00 and expenses, mostly cost of trophies, amounted to approximately \$2400.00 for a net profit from the car show of \$20,200.00! The matching grant added another \$15,000.00 for a total of over \$35,200.00.

Jack presented Dr. Carter with a check to complete the fund raising from the car show. Dr. Carter gave a short talk explaining that they are working on about 70% of the known cancers including breast, colon and prostate cancer. They have a 20 year relationship with Eli Lilly which is the main pharmaceutical firm supporting their efforts. They are expanding their building to house the 43,000 tissue specimens they received from St Luke Hospital and the expected large shipment from Christ Hospital. These need to be

stored in a temperature controlled environment, ideally 65-72 degrees F. They are digging geo thermal wells to save \$9,000.00 per year in energy.

Jack mentioned the cruise in at Guys & Dolls, formerly the Roadhouse, which is every Sunday evening and that our club sponsored the Tuesday event which is the first Tuesday every month. He thanked those that participated.

Jack thanked all those that helped the caravan at Florence Mall. All the clubs driving through appreciated the efforts of the FTCC.

Kurt described his experience as being one of the selected Corvettes to lead the caravans to Bowling Green. His car Kentucky was outfitted with Kentucky State Police and hidden KSP Blue Lights and driven by a KSP Trooper. His group led the caravan from Nashville with 450-500 Vettes in a line 12-13 miles long! The total Vettes at the bash were probably 7,000! A great experience. He talked about the expanded museum with a gift shop three times the size of the previous one. This would make a fun overnight trip.

Stan Bond talked about the Campbell County Lodge Event where we need 25 Corvettes and currently have 17 to take the boys for a ride in our cars and afterwards we have pizza, cookies and desert at a park. The boys always appreciate the event and we drop off old copies of car magazines which they relish. We need to have at least 25 Corvettes. The event starts at 5:30 PM on 9/16/09. Details will be sent in advance.

Doug Schwegman mentioned that he will work together with Charley Goettsch on a trip to Elk Creek Winery. Charley mentioned that the Northern Kentucky Heritage League had made a trip to this venue and it was a great success. Doug also thanked everyone for their support for the car show. He mentioned that the Blue Grass Motor Speedway probably has some financial problems and that the drive to the track is not paved. He mentioned that the last event this year is the Christmas Party at Highland Country Club which is where it has been for the last few years. The date is December 11<sup>th</sup>. He mentioned that the board elections are in November and if anyone is interested in joining the board they should talk to one of the board members. We are always interested in new ideas and if you do not want to be a board member but have some ideas for events or trips please talk to board members or bring it up at a meeting.

Jon Hanas mentioned that we have 78 paid members. We received two new ones at the car show and two over the internet. He is working on a trip to Keeneland the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in October. Dues of \$30.00 are due October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please make the check payable to the club but mail it to Jon's home. He reminded everyone that pictures of the car show are on the web site. The dented hub cap was given to Jim Bishoff since a car ran over his foot at the car show!

Charley Goettsch had nothing profound to add other than the planned trips to Elk Creek and Keeneland should be most enjoyable.