



GREAT LAKES CHAPTER VOLVO CLUB OF AMERICA Minutes of July 15, 2014 Meeting

The Great Lakes Chapter of the Volvo Club of America met in a regular meeting at Clara's Restaurant, Lansing Michigan. President Jim Webb called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM. Members present included Jim and Joyce Webb, Rick Webb, Tim and Harriet Cox, John and Nancy Northup, John and Janet Mendler, Bob Riggs, Al Bulgrin, Bill Bailey, Todd Brower, Bonnie and Daryl Tammen, Hunter Wright and Viselle Hugo.

Nancy Northup, Treasurer, circulated the Treasurer's report. The checking account balance is \$2,108.37. Two members have renewed their membership: Hal Bannasch and John Ahles. Three new members have joined the Club: Toshi Adair, Glen Ahles, and Gary Van Harn. Nancy reported 7 registrations were received for the upcoming Gilmore V Rally on August 9.

President Webb asked for updates from members on the upcoming rally. Rick Webb reported that the following categories would be used for the judging categories: 1800 Coupes, 1800 ES, All 1969 and earlier models, 1970 and later Rear Wheel Drive models, 1990 and later Front Wheel Drive models (5 categories). Judging will be by Peoples' Choice ballots. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.

Tim Cox reported that he is going to order 100 tee shirts, white with the new logo, at about \$4.50 each, in various sizes. Each full registrant will receive a tee shirt and some will be for sale. Tim reported that he will order 60 dash plaques, one for each car at the rally. Members approved with one dissenting vote. Tim also reported that he had talked to Irv Gordon who will attend the rally in his new 2014 S 60. Irv will answer questions and speak at the banquet about his accomplishment of 3,000,000 miles in his P1800 for which he has received worldwide recognition. Members approved a payment of \$500 to help offset some of Irv's expenses to make the trip, along with a free pass to attend the rally.

President Webb reported that Betten Auto, Grand Rapids Volvo dealer, will be a sponsor for the rally. Jim expressed the appreciation of the Club to Betten for their sponsorship.

John Northup reported that he is ready to place an order for the lanyards. He asked for an opinion of whether to order the smaller 4" X 3" ID badges or larger 4" X 8" ones. The members approved the smaller badges, with one dissenting vote. Nancy Northup has made arrangements for printing the materials required for the rally. Paul Fletcher has kept the web site updated for the rally.

Janet Mendler suggested that a contact be made with area newspapers to provide publicity for the event. Members suggested that Janet make the contact because of her experience and knowledge of interviews and news media contacts.

There was discussion about the Club Facebook page. The Club previously had a page, but it has not been kept up. Todd Brower stated that the old page can be released and a new one set up by contacting Facebook.

President Jim Webb reported that the block of rooms he had guaranteed for the rally were booked and that he was going to contact the hotel to try to add an additional block of 10 rooms without a guarantee. He said the hotel will provide a car wash area and space for distributing rally packets to people who arrive at the hotel on Friday. Nancy Northup, Janet Mendler and Penny Bailey will handle the check-in between 6 and 8 p.m. Friday evening.

President Jim will contact Betty Gusmundo from the Gilmore to make arrangements to include a pass for admission to the Gilmore and lunch at the Diner. Members discussed the dedication of the new Lincoln Building, which may affect some of the arrangements. We need to know the location and logistics for our group at the Gilmore.

There was considerable discussion about items for the rally and goody bags. Tickets will be sold for raffle items, which are not limited to Volvo car items. Joyce Webb and Bonnie Tammen will handle the raffle items. Bags provided by Hagerty Insurance will be used as goody bags.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO DONATE AND/OR SOLICIT ITEMS FOR THE GOODY BAGS AND FOR THE RAFFLE. ITEMS ARE NOT LIMITED TO VOLVO CAR ITEMS. THEY SHOULD BE MAILED TO **DAVID IRVINE, 5419 FAWN LAKE DRIVE, SHELBYVILLE, MI 49344.**

President Jim Webb adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Daryl Tammen, Secretary

NEXT MEETING
6:00 P.M.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
CLARA'S RESTAURANT
LANSING