



**April 2020**

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### ***President's Corner***

Dear Cruisers,

I hope all our members and their families are well through these difficult times. As the old cliché goes, "this too shall pass". On a positive note, we all will be better prepared for something like this once we get beyond it.

As you know we cancelled our March Cruise-In. VP Bill and Danny D and Billy Glover had quite a few phone calls before the Cruise wanting to know the status. This tells me that they wanted to participate! Our April Meeting has been cancelled due to the fact that the restaurants are closed and current Health Department mandate. Barbara Daniell was to be our speaker. Check this newsletter for an article from her. We'll consider her charitable organization when next we meet. The April cruise is still a mystery and we'll keep you posted as soon we know something.

Even in this tough situation, our charities' needs continue. For many, the need increases and for some it's exponential.

These are some pictures of our yard up at the road. Liz and I returned home from a funeral visitation last week at around 9 pm. Seems a truck driver, and I use that term loosely, decided he could turn a 53 foot tractor trailer around in our yard. As you can see he didn't make it. Since many of you have been to our home, you may remember there ain't

that much room up on the road side AND there's a fence. Thankfully he stopped before he got to



the fence but not before he got stuck in the yard. Two hours later, a wrecker was finally able to get him out.



Stay safe, especially those in a high risk group. Common sense is always your best friend. I should have passed that advice on to our truck driver friend.

Happy Motoring,  
Rick Horne

### ***Vice President's Voice***

I hope all club members and their families are doing well during these difficult times.



I know we had to cancel our March Cruise-In. By now you have read Rick Horne article about April's meeting also being canceled. But let's



look forward to April's Cruise-In and hope for the best.

On February 26, Rick Horne, Don Reed and I made one of our annual trips to Sam's Club to pick up supplies for the Villa Rica High School Pantry. A \$1000.00 was voted on for the donation this year and we spent \$501.31 on this trip. Tameka Cheely was very thankful for the supplies and wanted all the members to know how appreciative she is for all that the club does for the students.

Hope to see everyone soon.

*Bill Roberts*

### ***A Minute with the Secretary***

The minutes of our March 3rd meeting are attached to this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

I attached a copy of our Club Roster to the March Newsletter, with a request to review it for accuracy in your listing. I received no responses. However, I know there must be some mistakes in the listings. Please double check your address, email, phone numbers, and the cars in your garage. The roster can be found in last month's newsletter at:

[Mar2020Newsletter](#)

Just click my email link in the Roster to send me a note with your new information. Thank you very much!

*Raylene Carroll*

### ***Treasurer's Testimony***

The Treasurer's report for March is attached to this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions. Stay safe out there.

Don Reed

### ***Sponsorship Snippets***

Hello Cruisers! I guess the Covid 19 virus is not an April fool prank. Hope you are all safe and washing your hands a lot!



His reply, 'I know. I already did that side.'

# ***The Day Our Son Wrecked My '57 T-Bird***

***(by Dave Kopp)***

Our son Dan was 17 and had a part time job at the local pizza place. He was an excellent student and displayed good judgement so I was comfortable with him driving our T-Bird. It was a light blue repaint



over the original color, but it looked good on the car. The blue was very close to an original color offered on a '57 T-Bird. I always liked that car, and my bride faithfully endured it in the summer heat without A/C.

About midnight the restaurant ran out of an ingredient, and Dan said he would go to the all night grocery. The hard top was off the car for enjoyable summer driving. When he arrived at the grocery he parked the car, and as all car guys do, he looked back at the car. To his horror it was rolling down the parking lot! He ran after it but did not arrive in time to avoid the car coming to an abrupt stop under the rear end of a



parked school bus. The bumper on the '57 is about a foot from the ground and the bus bumper is about 3 feet high. The damage was extensive. The insurance company considered it totaled, and I couldn't even see the damage for several days due to recent eye surgery!

The cable on the parking brake was broken and car must have "popped" out of gear. So the moral of the story: make sure you have a working parking brake and use it.



I now had to figure out what to do with the car, so I called my ex-boss who had previously expressed an interest in buying it. I asked him if he still wanted it and he was excited to know I would finally sell it. I felt I should tell him the car had a slight dent in the front end. When I sent him pictures (he lived in Chicago) to my surprise he still wanted it. The negotiated price was \$3,000, if I would deliver it!



So now the issue was how to get it to Chicago. I decided to attempt to drive the 700 miles but the car was not drivable. I have a BFH (big old hammer) which worked well to extract the radiator from the fan. Note: Stop Leak is a wonderful product.

The next issue for the hammer was to adjust the head lights. A few well-placed hits and the lights no longer illuminated the tree tops

To be sure there were no issues with my expert repairs, I went for a test drive. As long as you did not exceed 50 MPH you could aim it down the road pretty well. So I was off to Chicago. After 2 days I actually arrived safely.

The car was completely restored at a cost of \$25,000! It was painted it's original yellow, and was saved from the junk yard. Today there is one more beautiful T-Bird still on the road.



*The following fact sheet has been provided by Barbara Daniell, originally scheduled to speak with us in February. Due to a conflict, she was rescheduled to speak in April. Now she has been rescheduled to who knows when! Barbara is a former City Clerk in Villa Rica, and also worked in a capacity of promoting VR Tourism. During that time she gave the Golden City Cruisers much welcomed support from the city. She is now involved in something much different, and perhaps more important. She wanted us to consider a contribution to "By His Hands". The membership will consider this at a later date.*



## **By His Hands Summer Backpack Ministry June-July 2020**

This ministry feeds the children of Villa Rica during the summer months from June and July. Without this backpack ministry we risk these children going without a meal. This is a joint program with other local churches and coordinated by First Baptist Church Villa Rica.

**In 2019 this program fed 522 children in Villa Rica! Yes 522!**

**The 522 meals for 5 days equals 2,610 lunches for one week!**

**Multiplied that by 9 churches and you are looking at 23,490 lunches!**

Lunches consist of a sandwich, chips, snack, fruit, grits or oatmeal and a bottle of water.

The lunches are provided in two ways: a daily lunch or a weekly box. Each church decides how they will deliver the lunches. For the smaller churches it works best for them to do the weekly boxes. We leave these decisions up to the individual churches.

We do have the cost of food, but there is more than just food. Paper goods! Each lunch has to go into a paper bag and each sandwich has to go into a zip lock bag. Depending on the amount that I am able to raise we can purchase enough paper goods that no church will have to purchase paper goods and just focus on the food. If we raise enough to purchase all the paper goods and have money left over the remainder of the money will be divided between the churches to help purchase some of the food for their lunches.

This ministry goes right to my heart! I know we are not reaching every single child but we are reaching over 500 local children.....I just cannot imagine how a parent must feel when they know they cannot provide a meal for their child!

Listed below are the participating churches and their participating week:

First Baptist Church Villa Rica – June 1-5

Midway Church – June 8-12

LifeGate Church – June 15-19

Mt. Prospect Baptist Church – June 22-26

West Hills Church – June 29-July 3

Villa Rica First Methodist Church – July 6-10

Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church – July 13-17

Villa Rica Christian Church – July 20-24

Concord United Methodist Church – July 27-31

1 John 3:17-18, But whoever has this worlds goods and sees his brother in need and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him; (18) My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and truth.

Thank you for your consideration,

Barbara Daniell

# GOLDEN CITY CRUISERS

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

### March 2020

**TOTAL CASH ON HAND**

**3398.40**

DATE	CHECK #	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	PAYMENT	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
3/1/2020		BALANCE			<b>6674.60</b>
2/26/20		DEBIT CARD—SAMS CLUB	501.31		6173.29
3/3/20	3222	CHERRIE GLOVER	134.40		6038.89
3/3/20	3223	FULLERVILLE MISSION	2000.00		4038.89
3/5/20		DEPOSIT		446.00	4484.69
3/8/20		SUNTRUST BANK	70.89		4414.00
3/23/20	3224	CARROLL CO. TAX OFFICE	15.59		4398.41
		<b>TOTAL CASH ON HAND</b>			<b>4398.41</b>
DATE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARITY FUND	GENERAL FUND	DEBIT
2/26/20	CARD	SUPPLIES FOR VRHS FOOD CLOSET			501.31
3/3/20	3222	NAME PLATES FOR SPONSOR PLAQUE			134.40
3/3/20	3223	CHARITY- FULLERVILLE MISSION			2000.00
3/5/20	DEPOSIT	SPONSORS MAIN ACTRACTION (\$250) OLIVE TREE( \$100)		350.00	
3/5/20	DEPOSIT	DUES RIDER (\$38) MCGHEE (\$40)		78.00	
3/5/20	DEPOSIT	50/50 \$38 MINUS \$20 FOR SPEAKERS MEAL (FULLERVILLE MISSION)		18.00	
3/8/20		NEW CHECKS			70.89
3/23/20	3224	TAG DECAL FOR CLUB TRAILER			15.59
		<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>446.00</b>	<b>2722.19</b>
		TOTAL OPERATING FUND			4398.40
		LESS HARDSHIP FUND			1000.00



# **Golden City Cruisers**

## **Meeting Minutes – March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

President – Rick Horne  
Vice President – Bill Roberts  
Treasurer – Don Reed  
Secretary – Raylene Carroll  
Sponsorship – Cherrie Glover  
Immediate Past President – Danny Davis

Meeting held at The Olive Tree, Villa Rica, Georgia 03/03/2020 at 7:00PM

Attending the Meeting:

Danny Davis	Darrell & Karen Smith	Bill Roberts
Rick & Liz Horne	Don Reed	Billy Glover
Nick & Lynn Ware	Victor & Raylene Carroll	John Ranero
Gene Duke	Michael & Kathleen Valentine	Rob Kusterer

Guest: Wayne Shelton

- I. Call to Order  
Rick Horne.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance  
Liz Horne
- III. Minutes of Last Meeting  
Move & Second to Approve – Motion Carried
- IV. V/P Report  
Bill Roberts - Members of Golden City Cruisers will be allowed to park in the center island at the cruise ins. This year there will be no set up list, but it is everybody's responsibility to help. We will keep the "cake walk", but will cut back on cakes. Suggestions were cake walk for cake, Gift Card, or Bucket (winner's choice). We will look into having giveaways for kids.
- V. Sponsorship Report  
Billy Glover (for Cherrie) – In Kind Sponsors – Liberty Chevrolet & Auto Zone  
Move & Second to keep Liberty Chevrolet & Auto Zone Carrollton as In-Kind Sponsors  
Los Cowboys Mexican Restaurant – Danny Davis  
Lazy Donkey – Danny Davis  
Thornton Chevrolet – Nick Ware  
Olive Tree Restaurant – Danny Davis  
Hearn Monument – Danny Davis  
Haney Drug Corner – Donald Threadgill  
Hide Hauling– Danny Davis  
Chat & Chew – Danny Davis  
Quality Coatings – Rick Horne (Mailing Check)  
Goldmine Tires & Wheel – Danny Davis  
Wal-Mart Villa Rica – Danny Davis  
West Georgia Diesel & Auto - Declined  
Sweet Taste of Sumer – Don Edwards  
Wright Way Wings – Don Edwards

- VI. Ailing Members Report  
Michael Valentine is feeling much better, Cherrie's sister, Carolyn, and Ken Reid's niece still need to be in our prayers.
- VII. Unfinished Business  
Bill, Rick, and Don went to Sam's and purchased items for the Villa Rica Hill School Pantry. (Details are in Bill's report in this newsletter.)
- VIII. New Business  
Wayne Shelton from The Fullerville Mission was the guest speaker. Wayne gave us an overview of the services provided by the mission. Fullerville Mission was established in 1987. They have no church affiliation and have approximately 75 volunteers. In Wayne's words, "Helping others is helping Jesus." They maintain a house with three apartments where people can stay until they can get back on their feet. Other highlights of their ministry are: Free showers (Running Water Ministry); Serve free meal every Tuesday night to the homeless, old, and families (25-40 Meals); Provide food for families – once a year; 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month Men's Breakfast; 100 Thanksgiving Baskets; free meal on Thanksgiving Day (deliver hot meal to employees and companies working on Thanksgiving Day); Kids come to the mission at Christmas to pick out gifts for parents and siblings to wrap and take home; Deliver 65 meals to homebound people every Friday, rotates between Pleasant Grove, Methodist, First Baptist, and Fullerville Mission. After overview from Wayne, Golden City Cruiser presented a check for \$2,000.00 to Fullerville Mission.

Volunteers for Committee to Revitalize the Car Show:  
Nick Ware, Victor Carroll, Rob Kusterer Chairman  
(New Ideas Committee)

- IX. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn & second

50/50 Tickets

## *Our Club Platinum Sponsors*

**Through the generous donations of our sponsors, the Golden City Cruisers Car Club is able to continue our support of area charities. Please use these Platinum Sponsors when you have a need!**





## **Our Club Gold Sponsors**

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<a href="#"><u>Advance Auto Parts, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>American Pie, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Autozone, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Autozone, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Carroll Food Mart, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Carrollton Car Stereo, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Cecil Harris Insurance Agency, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Chat and Choo, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>J. Collins Funeral Home, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Danny Davis Trucking, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>DKS Roofing Specialists, Douglasville</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Don Rich Ford, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Eagle Transmission, Ropville</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Great Classics 98.9, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Haney's Drug Corner, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Hearn Monument, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Hollingsworth Concrete, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Hyde Hauling, Dallas</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Jacky's Landscaping Materials, C'ton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Kopps Creative Carton Co., Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Lafitte Mop Company, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Lake Carroll Lawn Equipment, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>The Lazy Donkey, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Lewis Thomas Body Shop, C'ton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Liberty Chevrolet, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Los Cowboys, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>McCord's HVAC &amp; Refrig., Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Morgan Oil Co. Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>My Financial Services, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>O'Reilly Auto Parts – Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>The Olive Tree, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Pro Tech Car Wash, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Shot Spot, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Smith Brothers Supply, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Thompson Grading &amp; Clearing, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Wal-Mart Super Store, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>West Georgia Diesel &amp; Auto Repair, C'ton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>West Georgia Truck Accessories, Carrollton</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>West Georgia Shopper, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Wing Citi Café, Carrollton</u></a>