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December 2005



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On the Cover - Mike & Marien Ketola's '05 Coupe

Written by Marien Ketola



Mike owned Chevys on and off in High School. Mike and his older brother Dick rebuilt a white 1974 Corvette. We loved it.

Now that our children were on their own, we needed some thing new in our life. We owned a boat, and did the camping and Motor Home thing. With those come the loading, unloading, cleaning, washing, and waxing.

You're looking at two days worth of work.

We looked at many sports cars but always came back to the Corvette.

One Saturday in June, after going out to dinner, Mike decided to stop at Bret Chevrolet (JUST TO LOOK) thinking he was safe; it was after 7 pm and they were closed. While walking the lot, a Corvette caught his eye. He said "The color reminded him of the Candy Apple Red". (Now they call it Magnetic Red.) A gentleman came out of the office, they started talking and 2 hours later he is driving a 2005 Corvette off the lot.



See what happens when you just go to look. Our new "motor home" only has room for 2, goes as fast as we want it to, and hums going down the road.

Mike was born in Kirkland, Washington and Marien was born in San Jose, California. Mike's family moved to California when he was 12. We met through friends and discovered that we both attended the same high school, but not at the same time. We married in California in 1968 and moved to Washington in February 1971. I was told that it was always green, and if it snows it only stays for 24 hours. Little did I know why it always stays green. We have been married almost 38 years and have 3 children, 2 girls and 1 boy. We all live within 30 minutes of each other. Mike and I are blessed with one granddaughter, and one on the way.

Upcoming Activities

Note: CMCS Event Dates are in Red

December 2005

- 12/4 **Annual Christmas Party & General Meeting. Muckelshoot Casino. 1:30 Buffet Lunch. Deadline for sign-up was Nov. 21. Contact Kevin Jewell for status & availability.**
- 12/18 **Seaview Chevrolet (Sponsor)
(See page 14 in this newsletter)**
- No Board Meeting in December. *Happy Holidays!***

January 2006

- 1/14 **CMCS General Meeting - Alfy's in Lynwood. Lunch at noon. Meeting at 1 pm. Pizza at half price.**
- 1/20 **Board Meeting-Seaview Chevrolet. 7:30 pm**

February 2006

- 2/11-12 **Corvette High-Performance Swap meet
(See page 13 in this newsletter)**
- 2/25-26 **41st CMCS Wet Weekend. (See page 8 in this newsletter)**

March 2006

- 3/3-5 **Seattle Roadster Show 2006. (See page 13 in this newsletter)**

April 2006

- 4/6-8 **Portland Swap Meet @ Portland Exposition Center. I-5 exit 306-B for off-site parking and shuttle bus. Admission Fri-Sat \$7/day, Sun \$4.**
- 4/15 **NCRS NW Chapter Judging School @ Stewart's Collision Center, 801 SE 148th St. Burien, WA. 9AM - 12Noon. Chapter meeting & no-host lunch 1-2PM at local restaurant.
Info: Kay Dower (360) 896-5334 or akadower@comcast.net**
- 4/23 **All-City Rally 2006 by Corvettes de Olympia www.corvettesdeloympia.com**

May 2006

- 5/19-22 **Cruz Into Summer 2006** in Kelowna, BC. By Kelowna Corvette Club. (*Past events have included: **Friday:** registration social, Safety Inspection. **Saturday:** Concour/show'n'shine, Rallye, CCCC Awards Banquet. **Sunday:** BFG autocross/slalom, BFG Wknd Awards Banquet. This is always a good one!) Details on this year's event TBD. Info: Jerry Reiber (250) 762-0184 or jreiber@silk.net.
- 5/20 **Anacortes Waterfront Festival All-Corvette Show** by Majestic Glass Corvette Club. Info: Dave (360) 299-9303.
- 5/20-26 **Alaska Cruise on the Dawn Princess.
(See page 19 in this newsletter)**
- 5/21 **Anacortes Waterfront Festival Open Class Car Show** by Majestic Glass Corvette Club. Info: Dave (360) 299-9303

June 2006

6/18 31st Annual NCRS Father's Day Picnic @ Lake Sammamish St. Park, Issaquah, WA. 10am-3pm. Bring your own picnic fixin's. I-90 exit 15 & follow signs. \$5 parking fee.

CMCS Info: John Paul Nelson, III (206) 567-5433

6/24 **NCRS NW Chapter Judging Meet** @ Richter's in Castle Rock, WA 8AM-3PM.

Info: Kay Dower (360) 896-5334 or akadower@comcast.net

6/24-25 Really Awesome Driving Event #5 (RAD)

(See page 13 in this newsletter)

July 2006

7/7-9 **Tacoma Corvette Club's Shadow of the Mountain** event. Mark your calendar! www.tacomacorvette.com

7/7-9 **Deschutes River Run by High Desert Corvettes** @ EagleCrest Resort near Bend, OR. Reservations: (800) 682-4786. **Friday:** registration & optional tour to Healing Reins. **Saturday:** continental b'fast, Show/Shine, Poker Run w/lunch by Outback Steakhouse enroute, Banquet & Awards. **Sunday:** B'fast Buffet, Raffle, more Awards. \$75/person before June 7 (\$85 after June 7th) Info: Neil (541) 549-1949 or clancykoch@aol.com or www.highdesertcorvettes.com.

(CMCS group tour info: gary@corvettemarqueclub.com)

7/13-15 **NCRS NW Regional** at Red Lion at the Quay, 100 Columbia St, Vancouver, WA

7/20-23 **Boise Vette Fest 2006** by Valley Corvette Club of Boise, ID. Event usually includes: **Thursday:** registration and reception. **Friday:** Auto-x, Road tour(?), & Drags. **Saturday:** Show/Shine, Corvette Seminar, Dinner & Dance, **Sunday:** continental breakfast. Info: Floyd Sager, (208) 888-4144. Mark your calendar and watch for details.

August 2006

8/1-6 NCRS National Convention, San Antonio, TX.

8/13 10th Annual SEAVIEW CHEVROLET/CMCS Show-n-Shine. Corvette judging begins @ 11:00am. Trophies awarded @ 2:30pm. Dash plaques to first 100 entrants. Hot dogs & sodas available. ALL Corvettes & Corvette Clubs are WELCOME. On Highway 99 in Lynnwood, WA Info: Seaview Chevrolet, Sales Manager, (425) 742-1920 or www.CorvetteMarqueClub.com.

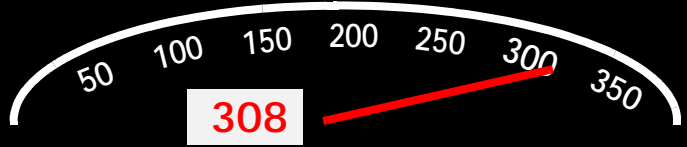
September 2006

9/15-17 Seattle In September returns to the Embassy Suites Hotel in Lynnwood. Rates will be \$109 for King or \$119 for double queens. 50 rooms are blocked. Call (425) 774-2500 for reservations. More information to come, but block this weekend on your calendar. For info or to volunteer to help, contact Kevin or Judy Jewell, (425) 885-0103 Kevin@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



The Membership Tachometer

by Mona Cox



What a fun evening! The annual Thanksgiving turkey feast, short general membership meeting and charity auction were held at the Kirkland Seventh Day Adventist Church on November 12. Thanks go to Janice and Marlow Krein, who secured the space (which was great) and oversaw the events of the evening. CMCS has many excellent cooks. The food was absolutely fantastic, and it was nice to have a chance to visit with everyone in a relaxed atmosphere. The general membership meeting followed dinner, and was probably the shortest in history. There are no new members this month. Then the real fun began. Suffice it to say that a good time was had by all at the auction. President Rick Milsow, along with helpers Lauri Milsow and Tim Cox, entertained us all. There were many laughs during the bidding. Membership still stands at **308**

December Birthdays

Marty Cameron	2	Karla Kothenbeutel	14	Tom Cain	22
Pavo McDonald	3	Joel Karam	14	Greg Vick	22
Lauri Milsow	4	Ada Hawks	16	Sharon Neuswanger	23
Don Schwab	6	Chris Berry	17	Lea Ann Westbrook	26
John Carmody	7	Carl Neuswanger	18	Jay Gordon	28
Neil Kather	7	Marcia Jenkins	19	Dean Dettman	29
Sharlene Cooper	9	Jim Jenkins	20	Darlene Hedzik	31
Tom Dever	13	Rachelle Woodcook	20		

CMCS Pins For Sale

We have pins of our CMCS Shield for sale for \$3 each.

They will be available at our events until all are gone.

See Sheila Wyllie to get one.

41st CMCS Wet Weekend

February 25 – 26, 2006

This is our Traditional winter get-away. “Wet” can mean a lot of things! **Wet Weekend** is our first official tour of the year, and everyone is always ready to get out on the road after the long winter. “Wet” can mean rain (but normally doesn't) or “Wet” can mean by the water (which it usually does)! Rain or Shine, Sea or Shore, we'll have a great road tour up to the Port Hadlock area.

New Members Should Not Miss This Event!!!!



What does this mean you ask?? This means that Saturday night we'll have a great dinner followed by some rather bizarre activities where we give out lavish (take that for what it's worth) prizes for foolish little contests as we welcome our new members from the past year to their first **Wet Weekend**. The fun can also include those not-so-new members who have never attended a **Wet Weekend**!!

Lodging

We'll be staying and playing at the
Inn at Port Hadlock
310 Hadlock Bay Road
Port Hadlock, WA.

A block of rooms has been held with
rates starting at **\$99** per night. Call
now for reservations:

(800) 785-7030

Be sure to let them know you are
with the
Corvette Marque Club of Seattle.

The Inn has also held a few rooms
for Friday night just in case anyone wants to start the weekend early!

The room block will be released on January 3rd. Don't Wait too long!



Call before January 3rd

Saturday Caravan to Port Hadlock

Watch this column for more details as the date gets closer, but we'll probably be leaving Canyon Park around 9:30. Our adventure will begin with a sail across the sea on the Edmonds Ferry and continue on some great Corvette roads up to the Port Hadlock area. We'll have a very interesting tour along the way. Just a hint...you might want to watch “An Officer and A Gentleman” just one more time!! We'll be having lunch at some wonderful place that we haven't found yet!! But never fear there will be food. You can always count on that!

☂ Saturday Night Dinner and Activities ☂



Place: Bayview Banquet Room – Social hour with no-host bar

Menu: When we've had enough socializing, a wonderful dinner will be served with your choice of either **Chicken Picata** with Lemon Butter Sauce or **Prime Rib** with Au Jus and Creamed Horseradish. Dinner includes Salad, Bread, Veggies (we know the guys will love that!), Potatoes or Rice, and Dessert.

After Dinner Activities: This is when the rather bizarre stuff starts!! You remember...the lavish prizes and all? We guarantee that fun will be had by all...some more than others, but definitely by all!

After the After Dinner Activities: And of course there are always the obligatory 31 games that will surely ensue. What is 31 you ask?? Just bring out 3 quarters, sit down at a table and someone will tell you. And if you've never played it before, you're pretty much guaranteed to win large sums of money...maybe as much as \$3.00!

☂ Sunday Activities ☂

Sunday morning following breakfast in Nemo's Restaurant we will be having the traditional counting of the election ballots and a short Board Meeting in the Bayview Banquet Room. Of course all members are very welcome to attend. If that does not pique your interest, Port Ludlow and Port Townsend are a short distance away with lots of great shopping and some interesting attractions. We will be leading a caravan back to Seattle in the afternoon, and will have more information on that as we go, so keep watching this column for details.

Cost: The Cost of this event is \$45.00 per person. This includes Dinner on Saturday night, Breakfast on Sunday morning as well as the lavish (remember them from earlier) prizes and **Wet Weekend** Pins for all.



☂ Reservations ☂

Please reserve early by sending your check for (\$45 per person) payable to:

CMCS at PO Box 534, Kirkland, WA 98083-0534.

Please mark your envelope **Attn: Wet Weekend.**

And make your **selection of dinner entree:**

Chicken Picata or Prime Rib.

(Complete and send the Registration Form on page 27)

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Turkey Feast and Charity Auction in Review

by Marlow & Janice Krein - Charity Committee Chairpersons

Marlow and I wish to thank everyone who attended the CMCS Annual Turkey Feast and Charity Auction and made it a success. Especially everyone who came early to set up and those who stayed to clean up. Your help was greatly appreciated. Also many thanks to the Charity Committee members, Al and Jean Dager, Marty Cameron, and Dave and Margaret Ormerod. Everyone enjoyed plenty of good food and turkey. I think Rick Milsow needs to teach us how to smoke a turkey. That was OH-SO-GOOD.

Many thanks to all who brought auction items. The Charity Auction raised \$1532.80 after expenses for the 2006-2007 Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity Fund. Thanks to Rick Milsow for being the auctioneer and Tim Cox and Lauri Milsow for streamlining the auction process. It was great fun and we all enjoyed a good time.

Food Line - Turkey Dinner



Food Table - Baked Goods Auction





Merry Christmas
&
Happy Holidays

by Rick Milsow
(CMCS President)



Thanks to all who attended the November 12th Turkey Feed and Charity Auction. Janice and Marlow Krein chaired the event and introduced us to a new venue that many thought was just the right setting. There was a great turnout, the food was tasty and plentiful, and we took in over \$1600 for the Dee Esping Charity. After expenses we should have a tidy sum for our charity work.

This month we celebrate the holidays with our annual Christmas Party banquet at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. During this event I will be presenting the Frank Olsheski Memorial Award.

With so many troops away during this holiday season, I offer this Christmas story written in 1991 by Lance Corporal James M Schmidt:



Twas the night before Christmas, he lived all alone, In a one-bedroom house made of plaster and stone. I had come down the chimney, with presents to give and to see just who in this home did live. As I looked all about, a strange sight I did see, no tinsel, no presents, not even a tree. No stocking by the fire, just boots filled with sand. On the wall hung pictures of a far distant land.

With medals and badges, awards of all kind, a sobering thought soon came to my mind. For this house was different, unlike any I'd seen. This was the home of a U.S. Marine. I'd heard stories about them, I had to see more, so I walked down the hall and pushed open the door. And there he lay sleeping, silent, alone, Curled up on the floor in his one-bedroom home.

He seemed so gentle, his face so serene, Not how I pictured a U.S. Marine. Was this the hero, of whom I'd just read? Curled up in his poncho, a floor for his bed? His head was clean-shaven, his weathered face tan. I soon understood, this was more than a man. For I realized the families that I saw that night, owed their lives to these men, who were willing to fight.

Soon around the Nation, the children would play, And grown-ups would celebrate on a bright Christmas day. They all enjoyed freedom, each month and all year, because of Marines like this one lying here. I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone, on a cold Christmas Eve, in a land far from home. Just the very thought brought a tear to my eye. I dropped to my knees and I started to cry.

He must have awoken, for I heard a rough voice, "Santa, don't cry, this life is my choice I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more. My life is my God, my country, my Corps." With that he rolled over, drifted off into sleep, I couldn't control it, I continued to weep.

I watched him for hours, so silent and still. I noticed he shivered from the cold night's chill. So I took off my jacket, the one made of red, and covered this Marine from his toes to his head. Then I put on his T-shirt of scarlet and gold, with an eagle, globe and anchor emblazoned so bold. And although it barely fit me, I began to swell with pride, and for one shining moment, I was Marine Corps deep inside.

*I didn't want to leave him so quiet in the night, this guardian of honor so willing to fight. But half asleep he rolled over, and in a voice clean and pure, said "Carry on, Santa, it's Christmas Day, all secure." One look at my watch and I knew he was right, Merry Christmas my friend, *Semper Fi* and good night.*



Club Windshield Decals

CMCS decals that apply to the outside of your windshield are now available. Shown are yellow, and white (in the background). These remain on the glass permanently and are said to last about 3 years. Cost is \$21 for a set of 2 decals. See Mona Cox for available colors and to place your order.



The New Club Banner



If you have been to any CMCS events starting with the CRISTA Show & Shine or later, you have seen our new banner, shown above as a photo taken at the turkey feast.

Really Awesome Driving Event #5

by Kayla Main

Here we go again for the 5th time and the last time. Our last **RAD** tour will take us to the ocean in Oregon on June 24 & 25, 2006. We will be going to Seaside. I don't have the hotel selected yet, but boy do I have some neat roads this time. AWESOME! As in all past **RAD**s, you're guaranteed to see stuff you've never seen before. This may just be the best **RAD** ever. There will be more info as time goes on. In the meantime, I just wanted to let you know about the date and the location so you can mark your calendars & plan for LOTS OF FUN. Keep watching this space.

Corvette High-Performance Swap meet



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Seattle Roadster Show 2006

by Neil & Shari Maddy

March 3,4,5

The theme for this years show is "Beach Party".

We should be able to have some fun with this.

We do not have any documented entries as yet.

Jason Wilson, who produces the show, said he would like to see two cars represented for each generation in various colors. Hopefully we get a coupe and roadster for C-3 to C-6. A Z-06 or two would be nice.

March is only three short months away, so if anyone would like to participate in this event please contact Neil or Shari Maddy at maddysn@aol.com, or by phone at (360) 387-1333.

We have all the entry forms and info.

CMCS needs to have a strong presence in the show.

It's our back yard, so let's show them what we have!

Thanks - Neil & Shari



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The Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity
by Marlow & Janice Krein



Adopt-A-Family Santa Caravan
(This is a CMCS Community Service event)

Over the years the CMCS Charity Committees have done various charitable services all of which were centered around children. This year the committee chose to return to the Adopt-A-Family



theme, which is what Dee Ann Esping did every year. Last year we raised \$3200.00 through our annual Charity Auction. Now is the time to use these funds. This year we have chosen four families and a Sister City Corvette Club, Rivers City Corvette Club in Shreveport, LA to support hurricane victims.



Gift Cards from Lowe's and Walmart will be sent to the Rivers City Corvette Club. They are doing fund raisers, and are housing victims of the two hurricanes. Their charity committee will disburse the gift cards to those in need.

The four families, one in Redmond, two in Bellevue and one in Kent have been referred to us from the Redmond Police Department and Bellevue School District. There are a total of 21 individuals that we will be making a difference in their lives this Christmas.

We will be providing clothing, food, and other gifts. Marty Cameron, Jean Dager, Margaret Ormerod, and Janice Krein will select, purchase, and wrap the needed items.

Dec. 18, 2005

**Is your chance to be one of
Santa Elves at 10:00 AM**

The Santa Caravan will start at the Azteca Parking at 3040 – 148 NE, Redmond and proceed to make deliveries in Redmond and Bellevue, then on to Kent after lunch. We will have time to visit with each family, sing carols and spread the joy of Christmas.

For more information Contact:

Janice or Marlow Krein (425) 823-1513

TheKreins@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



TAPS - Steve Heppler 1946 - 2005

by Rick Stark - CMCS member since 1964

We CMCS members lost an ex-member, Steve Heppler, on Tuesday October 18, 2005. He was about 59 years old. He is survived by his wife Edie Heppler. Long-time club members will remember Steve and Edie in their choice 1967 350 hp maroon Corvette convertible. Steve and Edie started their Corvette involvement by crewing on Rick Stark's race team in the mid '60's. Steve later became Rick's crew chief. Steve was instrumental in building Rick's 1969 Corvette race car. In about 1987 Steve contracted ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). His prognosis was about two years, but he survived for over 17 years with the help of many caretakers and his great wife. If you are not familiar with this disease, it is the same as Stephen Hawking (Astrophysicist) of Cambridge University has.



Two months ago Rick had a shop, race car crew and friends luncheon for Steve at Rick's shop in Kirkland, primarily so that Steve could see the duplicate of the 1969 race car that he helped to build. Even though Steve could not communicate to us very well, his excitement over the car was obvious. He was presented with a large picture of that car in action.

Last month, Steve and his primary caretaker went to the Vintage races at Pacific Raceways in Kent to observe Rick race that car. Rick ran 4 races. Steve was able to watch Rick finish with three 4th place finishes and one 6th place finish. Steve was an avid race fan and had attended many Indy car and Nascar races in person. His excitement was obvious. He also met several drivers that he knew "in the old days", such as Bruce Leven.

We will miss him dearly.

The Marquet Place Classifieds



1982 Corvette Coupe 81,910 miles \$19,950

"T-Tops", Cross fire Injected 350ci engine, automatic transmission, Gymkahaña suspension, immaculate interior with ALL leather seats, pristine original Metallic Gold paint. The car has an extensive after-market alarm system with a pager unit. Must see to appreciate. I can e-mail as many pictures as you need. Car shows well, & a new owner will easily begin to garner his own collection of trophies & car has taken "best of show at whistler", "NWACC class "second place at the 2003 Seattle Roadster Show" "Best Compartment", "Peoples Choice Awards", etc. I've more trophies than I could ever display or care to dust. Complete documentation, brochures, original window sticker, manual, etc. cover & many other accessories go with the car. This car appeared 1993 movie Sleepless in Seattle. Interested? Contact the original owner Byron Crocker (206) 295-3388

For Sale: Set of 2 C5 OEM mufflers, left & right (cat back).
\$450 Bob Newman (206) 281-9146. (Replaced with Borlas on a 2000 model.)

For Sale: Set of 2001 factory mufflers from my C5 with 22,000 miles. Will fit C5 2001 & newer. Installed new B & B's. \$200.
Paul Luczyk (425) 514-0558

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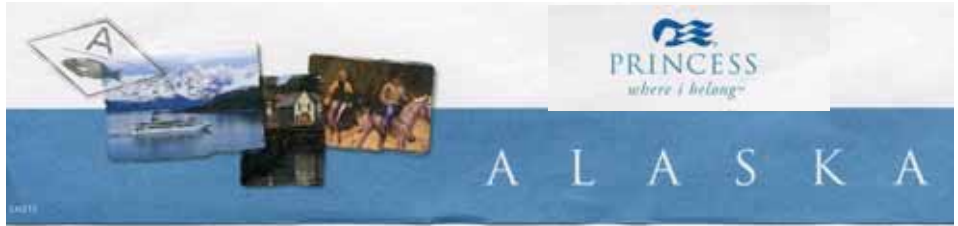
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National Corvette Museum News

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>



by Vince Perriello
NCM Staff Member & CMCS Member

NCM's Driving School Takes to the Track

The first NCM sponsored High Performance Driving School was held this year at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, South Carolina.



This exciting NCM sponsored performance school offered approximately 60 students the experience of two unforgettable days in the classroom and on the track learning how to properly handle a Corvette. "This event adds another dimension to the Corvette Experience", commented one of the performance school students. "I am grateful to the Museum for making it happen. My personal instructor was a lot younger than I am, but was a skilled driver and an attentive teacher. I look forward to the next opportunity to be a part of this again." Over 30 instructors were part of the courses that offered a "one-on-one" opportunity to students. Planning is already underway for additional performance school opportunities in 2006 – stay tuned for more updates.

Upcoming 2006 Events (Schedule At A Glance):

- **January 13-23, 2006** Panama Canal Cruise
See <http://www.ncmcruz.com>
- **April 20-22, 2006** C5/C6 Birthday Bash
- **May 4-6, 2006** ZR-1/C4 Gathering
- **May 25-27, 2006** Corvette Forum Cruise-In
- **July 20-22, 2006** Z06 Fest
- **August 31-September 3, 2006** 12th Anniversary/Hall of Fame
- **September 14-16, 2006** Camaro/Firebird Invasion
- **September 28-30, 2006** R8C/Xperience Reunion
- **October 12-14, 2006** C3 Extravaganza

USA Today Lists the NCM as One of Ten Great Places to Visit

USA Today named the Corvette Museum one of ten great places to get revved up again about cars in their October 28 travel section.

"Americans have always loved their cars because they provide freedom of mobility and for some, image enhancement" stated Thomas L. Bryant, editor in chief of Road & Track Magazine. "If you need to be reminded of why you spend \$50 to fill up the tank, come see some of the most fabulous cars ever built, housed in Museums across America." Petersen's Automotive Museum in Los Angeles, The National Automobile Museum in Reno, Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan and Indianapolis Motor Speedway Hall of Fame Museum were also mentioned in the ten places to visit.

NCM Member Updates

Staying in touch with our members is vital to the mission of the Museum and we want to make sure you are receiving the “members only” updates provided via e-mail by NCM Membership Services Manager, Stephanie Morrill.

These special e-mail reports are sent out regularly to update NCM members on important news, special events and opportunities open to members only.

If you are an NCM member and are not receiving these updates, e-mail Stephanie Morrill at: stephanie@corvettemuseum.com and we will add you to the NCM members-only list.

Minutes of the November General Meeting

by Bill Cameron - Secretary

November 12, 2005

Seventh Day Adventist Church, Kirkland



President Rick Milsow called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: Kevin Jewell, Sheila Wyllie, and Lorrie Montgomery absent.

Secretary's Report: Minutes accepted with no changes.

Treasurer's Report: None.

Membership Report: 308.

Activities:

- 11/19/05 Defensive driving school at Emerald Downs cost of \$159
- 12/04/05 Christmas party at Muckleshoot Casino 1:00 pm.
- 12/18/05 Christmas charity gift caravan to 4 needy families.
- 02/26-27/06 Wet Weekend
- 03/4-6/06 Seattle Roadster Show. Neil Maddy needs cars.

Newsletter: No report

Charity Committee: Janice & Marlow Krein. A letter and \$1,000 worth of gift cards were sent to a sister Corvette club in Louisiana to help needed families. Rick read the letter that was sent.

NWACC: No report

50/50 Drawing was made \$150 in the pot, which \$75 went to our charity fund and \$75 to the winning ticket holder Jan Harris.

Corvette Museum: No report.

NCRS: No report.

Meeting adjourned: 7:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Bill Cameron, Club Secretary

Laps From the Past or Marque in Time
A CMCS history feature by Ben Benninghoff



30 LAPS AGO: DECEMBER '75. Monthly get together finds members at the Windjammer South for the annual club Christmas Party, which ‘made’ \$58.85 this year. President Sam Sakura cuts through the meeting’s basics to get on with the feast. A petition from SIR was passed around asking for exceptions from the new noise regulations. Dues will remain as-is for the coming year. Sponsor Lee Johnson supplies the event with Cold Duck, and everyone is invited to their Christmas celebration at their dealership in Kirkland. Next month’s meeting at the Peppertree is canceled due to the recent floods. New club roster will come out in January. Ice skating party at Burien Chalet, New Years Eve Party hosted by Dave Hoseas. Sponsor Lee Johnson will be hosting a Christmas Party at the dealership for underprivileged children and request our help for transporting the children.

20 LAPS AGO: DECEMBER '85. President Mike Shelby calls the gathering together at the Bellevue Athletic Club. The newsletter will put out a “Winter Issue” to encompass December & January in one issue, due to the cancellation of the Board meeting due to snow. Mock Hayride and Children Christmas Party and pot luck held at the Shellys, as well as hosting the New Years Eve party. Vic Bunn becomes the latest member voted into the club. Dues increases passed for 1986, but new fees do not include costs for the club patch, which is a requirement.

10 LAPS AGO: DECEMBER '95. Bob & Valerie Johansen’s 6-NCRS Top Flight award winning 1962 Red roadster is featured on the newsletter’s cover. President Bob Lazaroff get the monthly meeting started at Spazzo’s Mediterranean Grill Restaurant in Bellevue, during the annual Christmas Party attended by around 70 members and family. Gary Main shared a poem he crafted for the Adopt A Family of the car they put back together for the family. Membership stands at 162. The Olsheski Award was presented to Gary Main for all his work for the club through the past year. Fearing reverie and joy to the world were soon to be degraded into less than congenial brotherhood from a rather lively debate on the need to increase dues in the coming year, Santa

crashes the party and peace and order is once more restored to the world. Santa lost 12 pounds cooling his heels out in the hall in his sauna suit, but all was well after Santa found last year Santa's *WSU* shorts and returned them to the owner. Members attend a "Sold Out" theater production of *A Christmas Carol* at the ACT Theater in Seattle. Washington Huskies are the 1995 PAC 10 football co-champions. Stewart's Collision Centre becomes an official CMCS club sponsor. Newsletter feature story notes of John Paul Nelson the III's complete body-off restoration project of his recently acquired 1971 Corvette into a Montana Special conversion to a pickup to haul hay bales to the livestock.

5 LAPS AGO: DECEMBER 2000. CMCS Vette Group Hug photo taken with local State Trooper Highway Patrol car at the summit of Stevens Pass at the first tour stop along the Cascade Loop tour. "Cop Food" provided by Roger Smith; a box of donuts he had stashed in his trunk was offered in good humor to appease the highway patrol god and let us pass. President Jan Cockrum gets the 60 members going at Schumsky's All City Diner in Renton for the annual Christmas Party gathering. Most of the usual business is ceremoniously waived as the dinner was getting cold. Membership dues remain the same for next year. Olsheski Award presented to Gary & Kayla Main for outstanding services rendered to CMCS for the past year. A Christmas Carol theater outing and a side of Nutcracker was served to the membership. The Annual Adopt A Family outing was another success. Membership at 235. Congrats posted in the newsletter to the Washington Huskies for their great year and well wishes as they head south for part of the Rose Bowl festivities (been a while since this has happened again, hasn't it...ben).

...home stretch...last lap...you all win! Thanks for a great time on the course, and here's to the next 40 years of Too Much Fun!

Ben

Editor's Note: As you can gather from the last paragraph above, this article concludes the LAPS feature that has been part of OYM for years. Ben has "caught up" with our history. Hope you have enjoyed the monthly ventures into the past of the rich history of CMCS through Ben's readings.

*And from all of us: Ben, **Thank You** for your years of service.*

December 2005 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Board Meeting in December See you in 2006				1	2	3
4 CMCS Christmas Party and Gen Mtg	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 CMCS Christmas Charity Event page 14	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29	30	31

January 2006 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 CMCS Gen Mtg Alfy's Lynnwood
15	16	17	18	19	20 CMCS Board Mtg Seaview	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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