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Gene Kinnunen's 2005 Velocity Yellow Convertible

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On the Cover - Gene Kinnunen's 2005 Convertible



I have wanted a Corvette since 1962 when a fellow airman I was stationed with at March AFB, Riverside, California had a 1953 he was trying to restore. Riding in that car gave me such a thrill that I hadn't experienced until driving my own new C6. I took delivery of my velocity yellow convertible in mid August from Roy Robinson Chevrolet here in Marysville.

As far as personal "stuff" - My wife, Pat - or Trish as she also likes to be called, and I have been married a little over 35 years. I actually "met" her on the telephone when I was trying to get some life insurance information during my first divorce.

Both of us are native northwestern Washingtonians. I graduated from Langley High School (Whidbey Island) after attending Everett High for the first two years and she graduated from Ballard High School.

Actually, she had never been out of the state until our honeymoon (at 21 years of age). Prior to our 1994 move to Marysville we lived in Lynnwood. I have a daughter, Tamara, from my first marriage who lives near Las Vegas with her husband Brett, 15 year old son Bryce and 12 year old daughter Taryna. Pat and I have no children.

I retired in 2004 from Boeing with over 35 years as an engineering Tech Aide on the 747 and 767 programs in Everett. Pat recently reached her 20 year anniversary at Boeing. She "claims" she now has to work at least 4 more years before retiring now that I have bought the Corvette.

Both of us enjoy getting out to play golf as much as possible in the summer. We are both members at Carnation Golf Course and also golf weekly in a mixed couples league through Boeing. The last 5 years, around the first week in November, I've traveled with a large group of golfers from Carnation, to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina where we play at least one round of golf every day for a week. The second year I won quite a bit of money so they told me I had to become a member and that is why I am a member of a golf course 50 miles away from my home. The last two years my wife and I have gone with them to Tri-Cities and Lake Chelan and this April I joined them for a trip to Mesquite, Nevada.

I have bowled in at least one league for the past 37 years or so. My highest year ending average a few years back was 207, but I am far from that now. I had orthoscopic knee surgery recently and have to wait a couple more weeks before I can start bowling this year. I am looking forward to meeting more of the other members and getting out for a few cruises with them.

Some time next year I hope to drive to Kentucky to see the National Corvette Museum and the Corvette factory as I have never been in that area of the United States. If I can pull that off, as of right now, it looks like I will be driving solo.

CMCS members,

NCM 9th Annual C5/C6 Birthday Bash

Wes Holmes - CMCS NCM Ambassador

The 9th Annual C5/C6 Birthday Bash will be held at the *National Corvette Museum* April 20-22, 2006. This event is co-hosted by the C5/C6 Registry. I made it to the event when the C6 debuted. I didn't drive there, I flew in. It is really a lot of fun. Information about the event can be found at

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/info.shtml.

The event includes driving tours, assembly plant tours, museum tour, C5/C6 registry meeting, a Thank You Dave Hill dinner Thursday, seminars, silent auction, car show, Corvette racing awards dinner Friday, autocross, bus tour, C5/C6 Birthday Bash dinner and auction Saturday night, 2006 Corvette raffle drawing. You can't do everything that is on the agenda. The number of cars per tour is limited. Some of the dinners are limited too, but not as much as the tours. Assembly plant tours have to be booked through the plant

<http://www.bowlinggreenassemblyplant.com/> .

The seminar speakers are TBD right now but when I was there I got to talk to Dave Hill and other C6 design engineers.

Gene Kinnunen, who joined CMCS October 2005, would like information about driving to Bowling Green. I know that some of you have made the trek.

Please e-mail gkinnune@gte.net about the journey or if you have any interest about making the drive there this year.



Christmas Party Reception (and organizers)

**Pictured are Marty Cameron,
Judy & Kevin Jewell at the
reception table.**

**Kudos to them and to all of
the others that helped
arrange this great event.**

Upcoming Activities

Note: CMCS Event Dates are in Red

January 2006

- 1/14 [CMCS January 2006 General Meeting](#)
(See page 8 in this newsletter)
- 1/20 [CMCS January 2006 Board Meeting](#)
(See page 8 in this newsletter)

February 2006

- 2/4 **General Meeting. Old Country Buffet in Totem Lake. Start at 9 am. This is our very important meeting held to nominate our board and officers for the next year. Old Country Buffet is located at 12618 Totem Lake Blvd. (425) 823-2292. Kevin Jewell (425) 885-0103 or kevin@corvettemarqueclub.com**
- 2/11-12 [Corvette High-Performance Swap meet](#)
(See page 20 in this newsletter)
- 2/25-26 [41st CMCS Wet Weekend.](#) (See page 10 in this newsletter)

March 2006

- 3/3-5 [Seattle Roadster Show 2006.](#) (See page 21 in this newsletter)

April 2006

- 4/6-8 **Portland Swap Meet** @ Portland Exposition Centre. I-5 exit 306-B for off-site parking and shuttle bus. Admission Fri-Sat \$7/day, Sun \$4.
- 4/10 All City Rally, CorvettesdeOlympia.org
- 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 22 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 20 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.

8/27 All Corvette Show & Burger Bash @ XXX Root Beer Drive-IN in Issaquah. Don Gardner at 206-979-0064 or d.egardner@verizon.net

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) 775-2500 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

CMCS January 2006 General Meeting

Alfy's Pizza - Lynnwood

Saturday January 14, 2006

Lunch at Noon

Meeting at 1 pm

Half-Price Pizza!



Directions:

Take the 196th St. exit off of I-5

Go west to 48th St.

Alfy's is on the SW corner.

Info: Kevin Jewell (425) 885-0103

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CMCS January 2006 Board Meeting

Friday January 20th

7:30 pm

Seaview 

CHEVROLET • PONTIAC • GMC

17909 Highway 99

Lynnwood, WA

Pontiac-GMC Upstairs Conference Room

Dessert after the meeting

Open to all members

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Club Windshield Decals

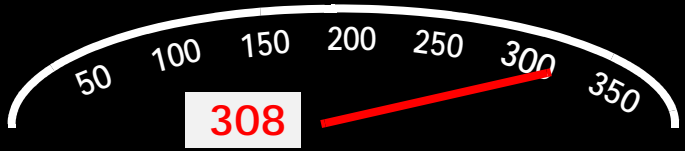
CMCS decals that apply to the outside of your windshield are now available. Shown are yellow, and white (in the background). These remain on the glass permanently and are said to last about 3 years. Cost is \$21 for a set of 2 decals. See Mona Cox for available colors and to place your order.





The Membership Tachometer

by Mona Cox



Nearly 80 CMCS members and guests attended our annual Christmas party on Sunday, December 4 at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. With the outside entrance to the Chinook Room, this venue is a "keeper". The room was beautiful, and the staff served a wonderful buffet lunch. Attendees donated canned food, amassing a good amount of food to be delivered to a local food bank. Again this month, Rick kept the business meeting short. Membership still stands at **308**

Christmas Party Photo



2006 DUES

At the December general membership meeting, the CMCS board recommended that both the membership and renewal fees for 2006 remain the same as they were in 2005. A motion was made and seconded, then a vote taken. The members unanimously approved the action. Fees remain at **\$65** (single) and **\$85** (couple) for new member applications, and **\$35** (single) and **\$50** (couple) for renewals.

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 35)

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*And the Award
goes to
Kevin Jewell*

*by Rick Milsow
(CMCS President)*



In December I had the privilege of presenting the Frank Olsheski award to CMCS member Kevin Jewell. Frank Olsheski was a former member of the Marque Club and was well known for his enthusiastic and relentless support of the club. He probably held every club office, board, and committee position, many, more than once. He organized, led and participated in events. For years his home was the official mailing address for CMCS. Frank promoted the club to Corvette owners wherever he went. He was a CMCS cheerleader and one of his favorite things was being Santa at the CMCS Christmas parties. Frank died of cancer in 1984 at age 41 the same year he was recognized as Teacher of the Year. A perpetual award was created to keep the memory of Frank's enthusiasm alive. Since he was Santa at Christmas, the trophy is adorned with a Santa and CMCS presents The Frank Olsheski Award at the annual Christmas party to a member who has gone above and beyond the call of duty during the year.

Kevin Jewell was selected to receive the 2005 Frank Olsheski award by the Board of Directors. Congratulations to Kevin and thank you for all the time and work you and Judy have given to CMCS.

This month we begin our search for officer and Board member candidates. The Corvette Marque Club needs dedicated people who are willing to give of their time and energy to continue the success of this club. CMCS wants you! Contact Kayla Main for information on the nomination process.

Our January General Membership meeting is at Alfys Pizza in Lynnwood. Next month Sheila and Lorrie have Wet Weekend planned at Port Hadlock. Get your reservation in and expect great food and a great weekend.

If you have an idea for a tour, show, event, or happening that your fellow Corvette owners would enjoy, contact Kevin so we can include it in our club activity planning. This time of the year we begin to ramp up our activity calendar. Be sure to check the newsletter for details on upcoming events. There are plenty of things to do and ample opportunities to get involved.

See you at the next CMCS event.

Rick

Dee Esping Memorial Christmas Charity - Santa Caravan
by Janice Krein



Santa arrived at the Krein's residence from the North Pole as they were leaving to meet the rest of the elves at Azteca on Dec 18th. Elves Bill and Marty Cameron, Rick Milsow and Judy Jewell were waiting. Elves Dave and Margaret Ormerod, Gary and Kayla Main, Heidi (our contact from the Bellevue School District) and her friend Matt arrived soon thereafter.



Santa gleefully waved to everyone while proudly riding through the streets of Bellevue and Redmond in Gary's 1967 yellow convertible with the top down. Santa lost his hat on the on ramp to 520 in Redmond. It was retrieved and safely returned to Santa. Oh, Santa had a wardrobe malfunction while visiting with the Hines Family. He lost his belt, but that was soon fixed.



Santa and the elves' first stop was the Hines Family in Bellevue which includes; Dad Eddie, Mom - Laylynn and their seven girls, Maina -15 Destinee -13, Makayla - 12, Ebonee - 11, Avaree - 8, Kina -7 and Jalayla - 3. Their eyes were as big saucers when they saw Santa enter their home. They all sat quietly around Santa responding to his questions and were doubly surprised that Santa had Teddy Bears with their names on them. Mom, Laylynn was over come with emotions when I quietly present her with an envelope of receipts for the computer and gift cards for Christmas dinner. Santa received many hugs from the girls. This was truly a family who appreciated all we did for them.



Santa's second stop was the Delrio Family in Bellevue which includes; Dad - Victor, Mom - Vicktoria, Humberto - 15, Vicky - 13, Jeanette - 11, Jasmine - 1. We received a warm welcome but Jasmine was not sure of Santa and clung to her dad for safety. Jasmine did accept a Teddy Bear from Santa. Her sisters Vicky and Jeanette shyly answered Santa's questions and were also given Teddy Bears. This family graciously accepted all that we gave them.

Santa's third stop was the Soto Family in Redmond which includes: Mom - Delia, Jesse -13, Melissa - 12, Ana - 2. One of the elves saw someone peeking out the window as they heard Santa



arrived, but as we entered the house Ana did not want a thing to do with Santa. I think all the Ho, Ho's scared her. She clung to her brother Jesse or Mom. We did finally get some pictures with Santa at one end of the couch and Ana in her Mom's arm on the other end of the couch. This family was truly overwhelmed with our presence and our generous gifts.

Santa's fourth stop was in Kent after having lunch at the Golden Steer. We made a gift presentation to the Knight Family which includes Mom - Candace and son Brian 16. Brian had gone to the grocery store for his Mom and was not at home when we arrived a little early. We waited for Brian and surprised him and his girl friend.

We served four very different families, giving them hope, making their lives easier at Christmas while spreading Christmas Cheer, and singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas". It was amazing to see a tree without gifts under it when we entered each home and then to see gifts all around the tree as we left. What a sight to behold! Santa and his elves feel very blessed to have met each family. You asked, "Who played Santa?" Well, that is a mystery, only the elves know.

From the GM Newsline-Sports Car of the Year

Submitted by Gary Main

CORVETTE Z06 NAMED TOP "SPIN OF THE YEAR" . . . The 505-hp Corvette Z06 mph has been named the No. 1 Spin of the Year by MPH Magazine. In a podcast released on Friday, FastLane radio host Deb Ochs interviewed Eddie Alterman, editor in chief of MPH, about why MPH gave the Z06 top honors. Alterman noted how fast and responsive the car is, and said it's the best car the domestic auto industry has ever produced. According to MPH, "The new Corvette Z06 is, dollar for dollar, the best sports car in the world, and unequivocally the best American car ever made.

The Z06 is quicker than everything except the far-uglier Ferrari Enzo, the harder-riding Mercedes-Benz SLR McLaren or the tricky-to-launch Porsche Carrera GT.

And it costs just \$65,800. The Z06 is not just fast and affordable; it's refined, usable everyday and incontrovertible proof that racing improves the breed."

To listen, go to <http://fastlane.gmblogs.com/>

Let's Go Valve Cover Racin' . . .

by Gary Main

VALVE COVER RACES! Never heard of it, you say? Here's the deal: It's a lot like the Pinewood Derby races that your neighborhood Cub Scouts do. Only bigger. Bigger boys have bigger toys. Girls do too! Simply take an old valve cover, slap a set of wheels under it, find an incline somewhere, and say to your buddy, "Bet mine's faster'n yers!", and Bubba, 'ya probably got 'yerself a race. There are a few rules, of course, but not many. In order to keep this from turning into an NWACC type fiasco...i.e...crushed under the weight of the NWACC competition rule book...we're borrowing the guidelines used by our Canadian friends. Very simple. And, if we build to their standards, perhaps we can entice some international competition some day.

THERE WILL BE (3) CLASSES:

STOCK	MODIFIED	UNLIMITED
Must use small block Chevy valve cover. Must be short type only. Can be steel or aluminum. Must be stock in appearance (no wings, etc.) Maximum width 10 in. Maximum weight 5 lbs.	Must be small block Chevy valve cover. Can be TALL or short. Can be steel, aluminum, cast, or carbon fiber. Wings and accessories are allowed. Maximum width 10 in. Maximum weight 7 lbs.	Can be small or big block Chevy or other make. Can be TALL or short. Can be any material. Modifications are allowed. Maximum width 11.5 in. Maximum weight 15 lbs.

RULES and SPECIFICATIONS

VALVE COVERS	TRACK
NO engines or motors are allowed. GRAVITY power only. Leading edge of racer must contact track starting pin (pin extends 2" above track) All entries must be officially weighed in. Valve Covers must pass a technical inspection. Valve Covers must have a minimum of 3 wheels. Individual entries are allowed in one class only.	Will be 20-30 feet long. Starting line will be 4 feet off the floor. Lanes will be 12 inches wide. Rails will be 2 inches high. Races will be electronically timed, if possible. Eliminations will proceed after time trials and qualifying runs completed.

all track measurements are approximate

GENERAL

Entrants are responsible for staging their own Valve Cover entry.
Racing is open to kids (ALL ages), one official entry per person, after time trials. Unsportsmanlike behavior will result in disqualification (& heavy shame!). Organizers do not accept responsibility for injury or damage to persons or property or for failure to have fun. Yer on yer own, bubba!
Decisions of the Organizers will be final. Protests will NOT be acknowledged. Awards may be made for People's Choice, Rusty Wheels, and Competition classes. Anything NOT specifically PROHIBITED by above rules is LEGAL. Anything NOT specifically REQUIRED by above rules is OPTIONAL. And finally. . . there AIN'T NO MORE RULES!

So there you have it. Dig around in your garage & find that old valve cover you've been using to store old rocker arms & rusty head bolts that you'll never ever use again. Dump the junk out of it, slap on a set of wheels (and maybe a coat of spiffy paint) and LET'S GO RACIN' . . . !

The Marquet Place Classifieds



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

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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.

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Cheryal Heppner	4	Dan Roupe	12	FABULS Bob Newman	24
Michael McGinty	6	Dan Bechtol	12	Emily Thomsen	24
Oran Petersen	8	Margaret Holly	12	Michael Rapkin	25
Jan Cockrum	9	Midge Moore	13	Cathi Vannice	25
Wyatt Hyora	10	Laura Jensen	14	Janice Krein	26
Curt Heasley	10	Bob Bunn	15	Keith Haselfeld	29
Susan Armstrong	10	Jack Goodman	17	Bruce Kelly	29

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.

Seattle Roadster Show 2006

by Neil & Shari Maddy

March 3,4,5

2006

Seattle Roadster Show

The theme for this year's show is

"Beach Party".

We should be able to have some fun with this.

Jason Wilson, who produces the show, said he would like to see two cars represented for each generation in various colors.

Signed up to date

Jim Gwinn-'54 Red Roadster

Bob Johansen-'54 White Roadster

Jim Hernandez-'63 Blue Roadster Byron Crocker-'03 Anniversary Roadster

Max Vanvleck-'89 Red Roadster

Don Hardesty-'94 Polo Green Coupe

Bill Cameron-'00 Bowling Green Coupe

Wes Holmes-'06 Z06

Still needed: Two C2 cars, a C3 coupe and a '06 Roadster

Contact Neil & Shari Maddy

maddysn@aol.com (360) 387-1333

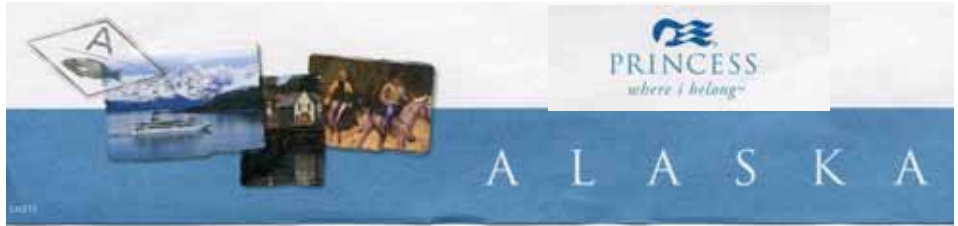
We have all the entry forms and info.

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





The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle would like to invite all Corvette owners, clubs and "wannabe's" to join us on our 7 day Alaska Cruise aboard the Dawn Princess.

Round trip sailing from Seattle on May 20, 2006 includes stops in Juneau, Ketchikan and Victoria, plus 2 relaxing days at sea. Cruise through Tracy Arm Fjord during one of the days where you'll view Sawyer Glacier.

This is a great time for new or prospective members to meet & acquaint themselves with members of their club. For those of us that have been around awhile, what better way to enjoy a cruise than with friends.

All meals are included, plus 24-hour complimentary room service, nightly entertainment, dancing, and use of the gym, sports court, swimming pools, hot tubs & cinema. The ship contains duty free shops, a casino, spa and fitness center, numerous lounges, digital golf simulator and a 24-hour Internet Cafe.

The following discounted costs per person include port charges, government taxes of \$45.00 are additional. A deposit of \$350.00 per person is required at time of booking. Princess Lines have given us a limited amount of blocked-off cabins available for this event.

Inside Cabin	\$849.00
Window Cabin	\$1,404.00
Balcony Cabin	\$1,549.00

As usual, all prices are based on double-occupancy.

This ship is completely booked up at this time with the exception of the CMCS blocked cabins. This is not one of those events that you can sit around & wait for something better to come along so I suggest you book early! Now! Not tomorrow! Now!

Any questions contact:

***Byron Crocker at (206) 295-3388 or Jan Harris (425) 883-3462
Jan's e-mail: angelcare3@aol.com***



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See www.nwalfaclub.com for more information and forms.

Contact Kathleen Edwards to register;

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Hurricane Katrina Charity Letter to River Cities Corvette Club
by Marlow & Janice Krein



Dear River Cities Corvette Club & Toni Turk,

The following is a little history about our Corvette Club and Charity:

The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle

The Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity

The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle has been in existence for over 40 years. In 1996 the Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity was set up in honor of Dee Ann Esping, one of our long time members who lost her life due to cancer. Through the years prior to her death, Dee made Christmas special for a needy family with children in the Seattle area. Children were near and dear to Dee's heart. Funds were raised through raffles of Corvette items, memorabilia and in the last several years a Holiday Craft and Baked Goods Auction. Each year, a few months before Christmas, the Charity Committee would be busy selecting a family with children to adopt. The Charity Committee would buy and wrap the gifts and purchase food for Christmas dinner. Then, in December just before Christmas, Santa made the delivery of gifts and food to the adopted family in a Corvette followed by Santa Elves in their Corvettes. Can you image the eyes of the children when Santa came to their house in a Corvette and with his elves?

This year after our first Charity Committee meeting, Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans, Louisiana and in September, Hurricane Rita struck Port Arthur, Texas. The Charity Committee decided that we wanted to do something for the Hurricane Survivors, who lost everything. So, one of the Charity Committee members did some research and found the River Cities Corvette Club, in Shreveport, Louisiana, who has and is doing some awesome things for the survivors of the hurricane. With the approval of our board, we are sending \$1000.00 in Wal-Mart and Lowe's gift cards to the River Cities Corvette Club. Each gift card is worth \$50.00 and is to be distributed at your discretion to families with children who are survivors of the hurricanes.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you find these families. We are very grateful to have helped out in just a tiny way. Thank you for all that you are doing for the survivors of the hurricanes. "A special thanks" to Toni Turk, who is our contact and inspiration in making this project come about.

Sincerely & God Bless you all,

Marlow and Janice Krein, Charity Committee Chair persons



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Letter From River Cities Corvette Club (New Orleans)



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Dear Janice, Marlow & ALL Members of the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle:

On behalf of all the Corvette Club members in the Greater New Orleans and Mississippi Gulf Coast areas that were affected by Hurricane Katrina, I would like to express my sincere thanks to each and every one of you in Seattle for thinking about us and sending the gift cards. It is heartwarming to know that people care about others. Your generosity and thoughtfulness goes beyond what I can express in words.

As a member of several clubs in the area, I will see to it that these gift cards get distributed to Corvette Club members that were devastated by the Hurricane. In our club alone, approximately 25% of our members were greatly affected by the storm, either by flooding or extensive damage to their homes due to falling trees. Several members lost all of their possessions and memories, and quite a few of them lost their Corvettes. Fortunately no one suffered any loss of life. We can certainly be thankful for that. Cars and possessions can be replaced, but a life cannot.

We will not forget what you have done for us, and if any of your members ever have the opportunity to visit the New Orleans area, please let me know and we will certainly make them feel welcome.

Thank you once again,

Sal Marino, President
Northshore Corvette Club



Proud Sponsor of the Northshore Corvette Club

Marty, Marlow, Janice and all the members of The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle, What a wonderful day! I received your generous package today with the gift cards to Wal-Mart and Lowe's. My heart was touch with your thoughtfulness and generosity. You have answered many of our prayers. I have been in touch with our Katrina Fund Chairperson, Terri Hensley and Sal Marino, President of Northshore Corvette Club in the Mandeville, Slidell, New Orleans area. I know that Terri has responded to you and Sal said when he gets e-mail and addresses he will respond as well. When I spoke to Sal today I could hear the joy in his voice. To have so many of his club members with such destruction your gift fills their hearts with joy and will be put to good use to rebuild their lives.Thanks for the newsletter and letter. I will be sharing them with your club at our next meeting and making copies to share with Sal.Yes, This is a Thanksgiving. We are so thankful to have Corvette friends and family. May you have a blessed Holiday Season and know your blessing have been passed to others.Happy Thanksgiving! Toni Turk President, River Cities Corvette Club "Come Cruise With US"

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R.S.E. Auto

Seattle in September (SIS) Explained

by **Dennis Montgomery**



At a recent planning meeting for *Seattle in September 2006*, the point was made that some of us may not know what happens at an event like this. Therefore we thought it would be a good idea to explain “what to expect”.

Seattle in September 2006 is a three day event that starts on Friday evening. The event is being held at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood which will be “headquarters” for the whole three days.

FRIDAY

Friday night is a time to register for the event and check into your room. We really recommend that you stay there, even if you live close. There are a lot of activities planned and it is fun to be in the “middle of the action”. Later on, we have a CMCS hosted reception and “socializing” time in the Main Atrium. This is a time to meet up with old friends and make some new ones. Hors d’ Oeuvres will be served and cocktails will be available. Following the reception, our famous **Valve Cover Races** will be held. There will be more information later about the technical side of building a racer but be assured that if you build a racer, or just watch the races, you will have a good time. Some folks have become very clever at building a valve cover racer and this is a “don’t miss” event. We have had valve cover racers that range from a valve cover with wheels from a barbecue to racers built by teams that bring a pit crew in full uniform. Weather permitting; we have a “**Sleepless in Seattle**” tour led by Ben Benninghoff after the valve cover races. This evening drive will include a tour of Seattle at night with spectacular views of the city lights. This is an event that will be enjoyed by all “night owls”.

SATURDAY

Saturday starts out with an NWACC (Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs) certified **Autocross, Poker Run/Rally**, a lunch and **Show ’n Shine** followed by a terrific **banquet** at the Embassy Suites, the headquarters for the event. Saturday’s activities will start after breakfast which is free to those staying in the hotel.

The Autocross is a new addition to our event and we are really looking forward to it. Our Poker Run/Rally will travel through some interesting Seattle area locations and end up at the Autocross location which will

allow us to watch some of the action and enjoy lunch. We will then go on to the nearby Show'n Shine location for a leisurely afternoon amid a bunch of real nice cars and real nice people. For those of you who may not know about the Seattle in September Show'n Shine, rest assured that they are a lot more about having a good time and a lot less about having to detail your car to concours standards! This is NOT a judged event. It is a chance to look over other's cars, vote for your favorite, socialize and really relax.

A poker run is a leisurely drive from point to point where playing cards are earned by arriving at pre-determined points and getting a card. This year, we are combining the Poker Run with a mini-fun-Rally which will provide some fun to the observant folks out there. At the end of the Poker Run, the Corvette with the best poker hand wins the coveted prize. This is a fun, low-key event that allows participants the opportunity to see some nice roads and areas and relax at the same time!

Our Saturday banquet (included in the registration fee) will be a very nice dinner with a preview of the next day's raffle prizes (and maybe even a little raffle action!) and music afterward. This should be another great time to "socialize" and spend time with fellow Corvette fanatics.

SUNDAY

Sunday, after the complimentary breakfast served to Embassy Suites guests, we will meet in the main ballroom of the hotel for the **awards ceremonies** including trophies for Show 'n Shine, Sponsor's Choice, Poker Run/Rally and Valve Cover Races. We will also have a raffle of donated items which has produced some spectacular items in the past. Included in the raffle prizes this year is a full set of new **Goodyear tires**! Complimentary coffee and tea will be served during the Sunday morning festivities. Our plan in the past is to try to have the Sunday program end by Noon, or so, to give the out-of-town folks plenty of time to get home safely.

As you can tell, this is a full weekend with plenty to do. Boredom will not be a problem! All of us who have gone to events like this in the past always come away being glad we came because we met some great new folks, spent time with people we already knew and saw some really neat new things. We hope you can attend.....you won't be sorry! ***The Seattle in September 2006 Committee***



General Meeting Minutes-12/4/05

By Bill Cameron - Secretary

Muckleshoot Casino

President Rick Milsow called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.

Attendance: All board members present

Secretary's Report: Minutes accepted with no changes

Treasurer's Report: Financials solvent

Membership Report: 308

Sponsors that were present at the meeting were

- Q. Yoo from Seaview Chevrolet
- Stewart and Teri Lowe from Stewart's Collision Centre.

The membership unanimously approved a motion brought forth by the board to not raise dues for 2006.

Activities:

- 12/18/05 - Christmas charity gift caravan to 4 needy families.
- 2/26-27/06 - Wet Weekend
- 03-4thru6-2006 - Seattle Roadster Show. Neil Maddy needs cars.

Newsletter: No Report

Charity Committee: No Report

NWACC: No Report

Corvette Museum: No Report

NCRS: No Report.

Kevin Jewell was presented with the Frank Olsheski Award for 2005.

Congratulations to Kevin!

Meeting adjourned: 2:40 pm

Minutes submitted by: Bill Cameron, Club Secretary

Kevin Jewell Presented the Frank Olsheski Award

Rick Milsow presented Kevin Jewell with the Frank Olsheski perpetual trophy for his service to the Club and its members during 2005. His name is engraved on the trophy. Kevin will keep the trophy until the 2006 December General Meeting.

Congratulations Kevin.



National Corvette Museum News <http://www.corvettemuseum.com>



by Vince Perriello
NCM Staff Member & CMCS Member



C5/C6 Bash Registration Opens **Corvette's Tom Wallace** **to be a part of the C5/C6 Bash**

The first on-site event of the 2006 season is now open for registration! Join us at the C5/C6 Bash April 20-22, 2006, as we honor retiring Corvette Chief Engineer David Hill for his contributions to the NCM during a memorable dinner. Play golf with C5R Racer Andy Pilgrim and be a part of the Corvette Racing Banquet. Other exciting activities include:

- Celebrity Autograph Session
- Informative Seminars
- Gimmick Rally
- Celebrity Choice Car Show
- Scenic Road Tours to Some of Kentucky's Finest Historic Sites
- Autocross and much more.

We are thrilled to have this exciting opportunity to introduce new Chief Engineer Tom Wallace to our members and supporters in attendance at the event. This is also a great opportunity for participants to find out more about Tom and his passion for Corvette. Changes and new additions to the event schedule are posted regularly – so stay tuned for more updates via our website.

Space is limited on many of the activities – so view the agenda and register online now at:

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/info.shtml

All preregistered participants receive a commemorative dash plaque and lapel pin in addition to a personalized event badge.

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
- See http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/info.shtml
- **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

2006 Corvette Hall of Fame Inductees Named

The following three people have been voted as our 2006 Corvette Hall of Fame Inductees. Additional information will be made available our "America's Sports Car" Magazine. Congratulations to these inductees and their family members.

- David Hill - Corvette Chief Engineer
- Gary Mortimer – Founding Member of the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS)
- John Lingenfelter - Corvette Performance Engineer and Racer

The induction ceremonies will take place during the annual Corvette Celebration event on Labor Day Weekend. Pencil it into your calendar now, you won't want to miss it!

A Memorable Evening with Jay Leno

Participants of the Jay Leno Fundraiser on November 10-11 had a chance to get up close and personal with Jay, and enjoyed an evening they will never forget.

A private tour of Jay's garage and 80 piece automobile and motorcycle collection along with a seat at the taping of the Leno Show were just a few of the exciting moments. The event also included a personal guided tour of Dick Guldstrand's shop in Burbank, California and the SoCal Speed Shop in Ponoma, California. "This exciting fundraiser was absolutely wonderful and everyone had a time they will never forget," states NCM Executive Director, Wendell Strode. "We really appreciate Jay's hospitality and support of our fundraiser to benefit the Building Campaign, along with the hospitality of Dick Guldstrand and the SoCal Speed Shop Team."

Photos and coverage from the event will be featured in the next edition of our member magazine, "America's Sports Car" coming in January.

Upcoming Nominations for February

By Kayla Main



The time is drawing near for our annual election of officers. Nominations for these positions will be held at our February 2006 general membership meeting at the Country Buffet at Totem Lake. This is your personal invitation to become involved and see what really makes this club so special. Ask yourself what are your favorite things the club does. Do you have a special knack for numbers? Or do you like writing or maybe organizing something? If any of these questions have sparked an interest then please call me or call any board member. We're all listed on page (3) of this newsletter. This club's been in existence for a really long time so there are many people

who have served before and they can be a wealth of information and help to those who agree to serve in the coming year. All you have to do is speak up. Even if you haven't yet been in the club for a year and would like to run for an office, we can handle that. Our By-Laws address that very issue. Here's a brief summary of the duties of each elective office:

PRESIDENT: Presides over the general membership and board meetings and, if needed, any special meetings. Also appoints Committee Chairpersons.

VICE PRESIDENT: Presides over the meetings in the absence of the President. Directs the activities of the standing committees. Maintains a current inventory of property owned by the club.

SECRETARY: Takes minutes at general membership, board meetings and special meetings. Handles other club correspondence as required.

TREASURER: Will provide accurate books on all club transactions related to collecting money and paying the bills. Reports the club financial status at each general membership and board meeting.

1-YEAR MEMBER AT LARGE: This is the remainder of a 2-year term so there is no election for this office. Help the 2-Year Member at Large if needed.

2-YEAR MEMBER AT LARGE: Is the Chairperson of the Activities/Program Committee. This committee coordinates the programs for and location of club meetings. The Chairperson submits to the Vice President, the schedule of activities. (Note: this Chairperson is NOT required to plan all of the events/activities. Various club members organize individual events. This Chairperson's responsibility is to simply coordinate and report to the VP.)

There's no rocket science involved in any of these official positions. Anyone with the desire and fire can easily handle any one of them. I can tell you from experience that the best way to enjoy this club or any club is to get involved in the operation of it. So, what are you waiting for? Throw your hat into the ring!

Call me (#'s in the club directory) or e-mail me at Kayla@CorvetteMarqueClub.com. Today!

January 2006 Calendar

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1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
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February 2006 Calendar

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Name(s): _____

Number Attending: _____ Phone Number: _____

Meal Choices: ___ Chicken Picata ___ Prime Rib (Amount Enclosed: ___)

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