

President's Message - December 2021

Winter will be with us soon and possibly bring us the some of that white stuff falling from the sky. Definitely not ideal Corvette driving weather. I'll be giving those new Michelin all season tires a good workout the next couple of months.

Club meeting & Events: We held our November general membership meeting at Westminster Chapel in Bellevue. It was great seeing so many club members and being able to host our traditional Thanksgiving dinner after having to cancel this event last year. Many thanks to Marty Cameron who organized the Thanksgiving dinner event. Westminster Chapel is a terrific location to hold the event. The room is very spacious, and the Westminster Chapel folks do a terrific job setting up the tables and chairs and cleaning up after the event making it very easy for the club to host the Thanksgiving dinner event. Thank you to everyone that brought food to share with others; we had plenty of food and some leftovers for folks to take home after the dinner.

The holiday season is the time of year that most of the club's charitable giving happens. The CMCS charity fund is named the Dee Esping Charity Fund. Dee was a member in the 1970's and was active in the club's charity work. The focus of the club's charity efforts is helping ensure that children in the area had their wishes fulfilled. This year the club is sponsoring several children's wishes via Jubilee Reach in Bellevue. The club is also doing Toys for Tots and will be delivering the toys to a local chapter that will distribute the toys to needy children in this area.

You can read more about the Dee Esping Charity Fund on the CMCS website on the [Charitable Donations](#) page. We recently update the [Charitable Donations](#) page to include a simple, easy way to make a donation to the Dee Esping Charity Fund at any time of the year. You can donate online with your credit card or via check. Your continued generosity enables the club to keep fulfilling children's wishes during the holiday season.

Our next membership meeting is the Christmas party on December 11th at the Everett Country Club for our Christmas party. Everett Country club always does a fantastic job decorating for the holidays and they put on a very nice meal for the club. This is our formal event for the year with an opportunity to break out those sport coats that have been sitting in your closet for the past year or more. At the November meeting I shared with the membership that the board has reviewed the club's finances and we are in great financial shape and board voted to recommend no change to membership dues next year. We will be voting on next year's membership dues at the December meeting. The December meeting is also the time of year that we announce the winner of the Olsheski Award for outstanding service to the club. Lastly, we will have our traditional white elephant gift exchange during the Christmas dinner. If you want to participate in the white elephant gift exchange, bring a wrapped present which cost no more than \$10. We have had quite a variety of gifts in the past so you never know what you might end up with.

Our January general meeting is planned for Saturday, January 8th at Griot's Garage in Tacoma. Griot's will have product demonstrations for us along with day of event discounts for product purchases in their store. We are planning a catered lunch for this meeting so please register online for this event.

Happy holidays to you and your families.