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#### **Personal Information Changes**

Different Corvette? Address change? New cell phone number? Change your e-mail address? Please remember to notify CMCS to keep your information current. If you are a snowbird, you must inform Gary each year when to switch and switch back to get your newsletters.

**Gary Main** maintains our official CMCS membership database. We use this database to create mailing covers for newsletters and more, and to create the printed membership directories.

Please e-mail Gary and our membership chair Jean Dager with any changes. Jean maintains the online directory for members that have not chosen to maintain it themselves.

#### John Thomas's 2011 Z06 with Option Z07



My desire to buy my new Supersonic Blue Z06 was ignited by the early release from Chevrolet about the Carbon edition Z06, which is still to be produced. I had always figured I would buy a new C6 Corvette, since I have owned at least one of all the previous generations. Also, I thought the previous C6 versions of the Z06 were

lacking a few options I would like. Greg Fordahl (of Fordahl Motorsports) had said at the appearance of the C6 Z06 that it was lacking the brakes that he had seen on some pre-production test cars and that these better brakes were needed. I also wanted the magnetic ride and handling option and I always want as many weight-saving features as possible.

So the announcement of the Carbon edition with the ZR1 brakes, wheels and tires, with magnetic selective ride control (MSRC), and additional carbon fiber parts for weight saving seemed almost the optimal combination.

Through magazine articles I learned that an almost identical car could be ordered as a Z06 with option Z07 (the ZR1 brakes, wheels and tires and MSRC) and option CFZ, which includes a carbon fiber (front) splitter, carbon fiber rocker extensions, carbon fiber



roof, and the rear spoiler of the ZR1.

The Carbon edition will have a carbon fiber hood, but not the carbon fiber roof. I wanted both a carbon fiber roof and hood. In pursuit of this goal I had several e-mail exchanges with Harlan Charles, the Chevrolet Corvette Marketing Manager. I had met Harlan in September 2009 at the 15th Anniversary Celebration of the National Corvette Museum, where he gave a couple of seminars about past and future Corvettes. Harlan was most helpful in explaining the options that would be available on the 2011 models, and he was certain that

there would be no Z06 with carbon fiber roof and hood in this model year. The advantages of ordering the car that I chose are that (1) I would get the roof, which would be very hard to change later, with a potential to buy a parts-counter replacement carbon fiber hood if I choose to spend, and (2) I could order an interior that had significant cashmere-color relief in the upholstery. (I have a great preference for a lighter color interior for heat control in hot weather.)

So after several discussions with Chris Pillings and Randy Jorgensen of Lee Johnson Chevrolet, I decided to place an order there for the specific Corvette I bought.

One other option, which had been on my "bucket list," was Museum Delivery (R8C). I am really happy I did that. Mike Terry, who accompanied me on the delivery journey, and I received super treatment from all the museum people. We started with a factory tour that lasted about 3½ hours, and I got to start a new Corvette just coming off the line (it was a red convertible), I received a certificate of being in on the birth of that car, plus various other certificates and a beautiful plaque.

Vince Perriello (our own, ex Microsoft, now Technology and Data Services Manager at the museum) and Executive Director Wendell Strode each spent considerable time with me. Wendell attended CMCS events twice back in the 90's and I credit him with helping me upgrade to Life Membership at that time. Our former member Vince took lots of pictures. I also want to acknowledge the people in the car delivery department: Gary Cockriel and Lori Bieschke, Larry McCool, who accompanied Mike and me on our tours and completed all the paper work on delivery day, and David Smith, who did the shop work to prepare the car, including installation of the splitter and rocker extensions. I consider them all friends.



1993 40th Anniversary Ruby Red ZR-1

I still have a great liking for my 1993 ZR-1, a Ruby Red Metallic 40th Anniversary car. All the 40th Anniversary cars had exterior paint color of Ruby Red Metallic and a matching ruby red interior.

The ZR-1 (I say ZR hyphen one to emphasize the Chevrolet-different notation of these C4's from the few C3 ZR1's and the new C6 ZR1's) had some amazing features for its time, particularly the quad overhead cam, Lotus engineered and Kiekhaefer Mercury manufactured engine plus special widened rear body work to accommodate the larger wheels and tires of this model. I bought this car off the showroom floor of the dealer who at the time was our CMCS sponsor. I have made three round trips to the National Corvette Museum in this car and would be very comfortable to make another, but I may have a hard time choosing the 1993 over my new 2011. The biggest disadvantage of this C4, as all C4's, is the high sill, which makes entry and exit more difficult.

In years past I owned (serially) two C1's, two C2's, one C3 and a 1990 C4. Then overlapping with the ZR-1, I had a 2002 Z06 for about 2½ years. All except the C3 were purchased new. These could be subjects for another article.





## Marque My Words

by President Al Dager



As I sit in my office looking out the window behind my desk I'm witnessing the falling of this season's first snow for our area. The trees are giant sno cones, and the backyard lawn is surrendering its green to the white blanket of flakes that settle gently upon it.

But wait. It's supposed to be fall. The Maple trees that lie beyond the giant cedars that front our backyard forest haven't lost all their leaves yet.

What's going on?

Ahhh, the joys of Puget Sound weather: sometimes irritating; sometimes exciting; sometimes downright wonderful; always unpredictable.

Yes, it's still fall, but we're not too far removed from winter. Soon we will be hearing the sounds of bells ringing at the hands of sidewalk Santas; Christmas carols will be wafting from storefronts and within elevators; kiddies will be squealing for their parents to buy them this or that new electronic marvel for Christmas.

As Andy Williams famously sang, "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year."

"Who's Andy Williams?" you ask?

Okay, I'm dating myself.

Speaking of dating (how's that for segueing into the business end of this article?), be sure to mark the date on your calendars for our upcoming Christmas banquet featuring Prime Rib, Salmon and Turkey; and our general meeting. Sunday, December 12, will be here before you can sing "The Twelve Days of Christmas" without messing up on how many of what your true love gave to you. (It takes a lot of practice.) In addition to a delicious banquet for a mere \$30 per person, you will enjoy a festive afternoon of camaraderie, games, prizes, and just plain fun. We will also be conducting a short general meeting at which we will be awarding the Frank Olsheski Memorial Award to the person whom the Board of Directors has determined is deserving

for their consistent and dedicated work for CMCS during the past year. The person who will be receiving the award was voted on through secret ballot by the Board of Directors at the November Board meeting. None of the other Board members even know who was chosen. The only reason I know is that it's my responsibility to have the trophy engraved with the honoree's name.

After the Christmas banquet the next major event for CMCS will be our annual Wet Weekend which will be held in Coupeville on Whidbey Island. The weekend of February 25-27 is already shaping up to be one of the best—if not the best—Wet Weekends ever. I would like to offer kudos to co-chairpersons Mike and Jane Armstrong, and Les and Doris Wagner for their hard work. I understand that the Coupeville Inn is filling up fast, and we are well on the way of having it all to ourselves. So if you have not yet made your reservations I suggest you do so ASAP. Details for this great event are elsewhere in this newsletter.

Besides the person awarded the yearly Frank Olsheski Memorial Award, there are many members who could qualify for recognition of their service to CMCS. That's why this year's Board decided to honor a different person each month for their service. For the month of December the Board honors Oran Petersen for his long-time, dedicated work for CMCS. Because Oran puts the newsletter together we couldn't very well keep it a secret from him. But that doesn't matter. Thanks, Oran, for all your hard work.

Before I close I'd like to remind you of our great sponsors, Lee Johnson Chevrolet and Speedway Chevrolet. If you are stumped for Christmas presents, I suggest you consider a gift certificate from either dealership, which could be used for service or parts. Or why not just go ahead and buy your spouse a new Corvette!

As we come to the close of another calendar year I'd like to wish all our members a wonderful Christmas season and a very happy, prosperous and healthy New Year.

CMCS Board Meeting					
	Wed December 8th - 6 pm Bob & Lois Renner's Home				

### CMCS Special Recognition - December 2010 Oran Petersen



The Board, at its August 2010 meeting, decided that some CMCS members deserved special recognition for the extra efforts they have made on behalf of the Club. They have worked, and often continue to work, in the background to head up ongoing and special events and activities that we all enjoy. Last month the Board recognized Gary & Kayla Main.

This month, the Board recognizes Oran Petersen. A member since 1994, he is steeped in CMCS lore and history. He has been active in the Club for many years. Oran manages, edits, publishes and distributes our outstanding CMCS Newsletter each month. He is the one who so expertly photographs us and our cars for the covers, and watches to make certain that the editorial content stays true to CMCS values.

He held the office of CMCS Treasurer for four years.

He has also been behind the "Fabulous 50s" tours in recent years, following in the footsteps of John Paul Nelson III who created & led the 50s tours for many years prior. He also led most of the tours departing the Seatac Village Mall at the end of the CMCS Show & Shine held there for almost ten years.

Oran has made up many of the custom magnetic dash plaques with our names on them for a number of events.

Because of his strong interest in the Club and historical perspective, he has provided advice and counsel to Club leaders over the years, always with the best interests of the Club in mind.

Much of what Oran does for CMCS is behind the scenes, so it is possible that many members aren't aware of Oran's myriad contributions.

Because of all you have done and continue to do for CMCS, Oran, we extend our heartfelt thanks to you for your help and support of CMCS. You continue to make a huge difference in CMCS and we really appreciate it!

We would also appreciate all of our CMCS members, thanking Oran for his contributions and this special recognition.

Let's all Save the Wave...

#### **Upcoming Activities**

Note: CMCS Event Dates are in Red

#### December 2010

12/8 CMCS Board Meeting (See page 8 in this newsletter)

12/12 Annual Christmas Party & General Meeting.

(See page 12 in this newsletter)

#### January 2011

1/13 CMCS Board Meeting Stanfield's home.

#### February 2011

2/25-27 Wet Weekend - 46th Annual. (See page 11 in this newsletter)

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# Wet Weekend - 46th Annual February 25 through 27, 2011

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Jane and Michael Armstrong <a href="myseepuget@comcast.net">seepuget@comcast.net</a>

#### FDF - What is it? A mystery lurks.

#### **December Birthdays**

Marty Cameron	2	Jeff Abercrombie	12	Tim Quenzer	24
Alicelee Holmes	3	Tom Dever	13	LeaAnn Westbrook	26
Lauri Milsow	4	Karla Kothenbeutel	14	John DeVore	27
Don Schwab	6	Ada Hawks	16	Jay Gordon	28
John Carmody	7	Carl Neuswanger	18	Bill Roberts	28
Craig Rhodes	8	Sharon Neuswanger	23	Doris Wagner	30
Sharlene Cooper	9				

#### **Annual Christmas Party & General Meeting**



Sunday December 12, 2010
Event Start: 1:30 pm (no-host bar)
Muckleshoot Casino-Chinook Room
2402 Auburn Way S.
Auburn, WA 98002
2:30 pm - Buffet Meal
(prime rib, salmon, turkey)

\$30 per person.

You must pre-register for this event.

Registration Deadline: Sunday December 5th.

Please send a check to our club address OR

Call the club treasurer with your credit card information

Note to all: If you want to come to the meeting and not participate in

the buffet, please feel free to do so.

Info: Mark VerMurlen Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

This annual Christmas event will be held in the Chinook Room. The Chinook Room is a very private, non-smoking banquet room separated from the casino. There will be a no-host bar available.

Dress: This is one of our "dressy" events. For men: Business Casual. For women: "Holiday Sparkle" is appropriate.





#### **Canned Food Donation**

Please bring cans of food for donation to Local Food Banks

This is one way the Club helps others less fortunate during the holiday season.

(There will be <u>no</u> gift exchange among Club members.)

#### **Directions**

From north of Auburn: Take Hwy 167 South From south of Auburn: Take Hwy 167 North Merge onto Hwy 18 E towards Auburn (1.5 mi) Take Hwy 164 E exit towards Enumclaw (.1 mi) Turn LEFT onto Auburn Way S/Hwy164 Go 1.5 miles on Hwy 164 to the casino on your left.





The CMCS Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Auction and November General Meeting was a lively event and grand success. Marty Cameron and crew did a fabulous job of setting up colorful and festive tables. Club members contributed a favorite dish for the scrumptious feast and believe me, no one left hungry! A short business meeting was held so there would be plenty of time to enjoy the holiday crafts and baked goods auction. An abundant choice of quality items were provided by members for the auction. Members had great fun competing in bids for theme baskets, craft projects and baked goods. It was a smashing success for a good cause. All proceeds go to the Dee Ann Esping Charity which benefits families, children, and veterans homes. Membership now stands at 258.



Two former members were welcomed back into the fold - Gregg and Yvonne Lether who had taken a sabbatical for several years while living in Arizona. Gregg and Yvonne are true Corvette aficionados and look forward to participating in a variety of Club functions again. They have a 1994 Black Coupe.

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2006 Coupe		Black on Black	6 Spd w Z51	\$32,980
2002 Roadster	Only 9k	Silver on Black		\$26,950
1998 Coupe		Nassau Blue on Gra	у	\$16,980

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#### **CMCS General Meeting Minutes**

November 12, 2010 Kirkland By Mary Stanfield

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by our **President, Al Dager** 

**Secretary: Mary Stanfield** asked if there were any additions or corrections to the published minutes of our last meeting. There were no changes and the minutes were approved.

**Treasurer: Bob Renner** reported on the club finances. Major events to date this year have been profitable. There will be money paid out to charities in the next months.

Vice President: Steve Yabroff - no report at this time

**Membership Chairman: Jean Dager** We have 258 members. Welcome back Gregg and Yvonne Lether, who left us in 2001, and have returned from a move to Arizona.

**Activities: Mark VerMurlen** Invitations for the CMCS Christmas Party, at the Muckleshoot Casino, December 12th, will be sent out soon. Please reply. The cost will be \$30 per person.

**Nominations: Steve Yarbroff** – the club is looking for nominees for secretary and a two year board member. Please contact Steve if you have someone in mind or are interested in running for any office.

**Wet Weekend: Doris Wagner** suggested making reservations at the Coupeville Inn as soon as possible. Rooms are going quickly. Check the newsletter and website for more information.

**XXX – Stan and Billi Trask** will chair the next (August) event at XXX.

On behalf of the board and members, Al thanked Stan and Billi for their work, enthusiasm, and "sacrifice" in leadership for SIS. They received a gift certificate to Willows Lodge/Barking Frog restaurant.

National Corvette Museum: Wes Holmes – see Wes for a current catalog of Corvette items.

**Parades: Jim McDonnell** announced that the LaConner parade will be in April.

Charity: Marty Cameron – Shoppers will be needed for Saturday, November 27th. Meet at 9:30 at Panera Bread in Redmond. This will be for items and gift cards for two families. The gifts will be wrapped and "Santa" will make deliveries December 18th. (These events / dates will be included in all member emails.)

In addition, money from last year's charity drives will be used to support: Toys for Tots, Assistance League of the Eastside, Veterans at Retsil, and mailings for Veterans overseas, and a charity in Coupeville (to be determined).

There was no new or old business

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20. It was followed by the annual auction.

CMCS Secretary, Mary Stanfield



#### A Note from Bill Cameron

I wanted to express to all our club members on how the Corvette community can help each other and how it helped me. I put a blurb in our last two newsletters wanting an acrylic top for a C5 coupe.

I got a response from Ray Helt from the Classical Glass Club. He had a brand new C5 top that he put on his car only once and did not like how it looked on his yellow Corvette. So he stored it under his bed and never used it again. Ray has always used the matching color top.

I bought his acrylic top near the end of October.

Ray also has a brand new C4 top and a new set of 4 stock wheels from a 1988 he is willing to part with. Contact Ray at <a href="mailto:ray@hksalesllc.com">ray@hksalesllc.com</a> if you are interested in the items he has for sale.

#### **NWACC Report - November 2010**

(Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs)

By Kevin Jewell - CMCS NWACC Representative

Notice: Ken Jones is taking over CMCS Representative duties from Kevin.

#### **NWACC Explained**



So who is NWACC and what do they do? NWACC (Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs) was started in 1972 as an umbrella association serving the local Corvette clubs. There are currently 10 Washington and Oregon clubs that belong to NWACC. NWACC currently provides two main services to the Corvette fraternity. First, they use their combined buying power to purchase insurance for

our clubs. Second, they coordinate and foster competition between the clubs in both car shows and autocross. You can check out the rules for

both the car shows and autocross on the web site, www.nwacconline.com.

#### **NWACC Rule Changes**

Last month I reported on the membership of the 10 clubs in NWACC. Rose City had made a mistake in calculating their membership for insurance purposes. The corrected RCC membership stands at 194, which is certainly closer to what we anticipated. That still makes CMCS the largest club in NWACC, closely followed by Classical Glass and Rose City.

Rules Changes: Rules changes are presented at the Nov meeting, with each club to vote on each change and report the club's votes at the February NWACC meeting. The proposed changes are summarized below:

- 1. Hosting an event: Each club must submit by March 1 of each year the dates of any event the club wishes to be sanctioned for year end points. The intent is to allow participants to adequately plan their schedules for the year.
- 2. Revision to Show and Shine judging sheets. Double the number of points awarded and thus the deduction from 100 to 200. The intent is to eliminate ties, which are then decided by odometer reading.
- 3. Change wording from "Speed Event Guidelines" to "Speed Event Policies and Procedures".
- 4. Autocross: Establish annual tech inspection of vehicles to reduce waiting time at the individual events.
- 5. Autocross: Change rules to require top time of the day awards to the fastest male and female "NWACC members in good standing". Eliminates non-NWACC members.
- 6. Autocross: Only NWACC members may enter any of the normal classes. Non NWACC members shall be placed in a time only class. Similar to change 5 above, but there are some differences and if both pass, there is no conflict.
- 7. Autocross: Increase the definition of "Unacceptable Driving Actions and Penalties". The intent is to make participants more aware that there are penalties for unsafe actions and to expand on those penalties.

Note: The CMCS Board passed all 7 changes at the November meeting.

#### **NWACC Banquet - Event Report**

The annual NWACC awards banquet was held on Nov 6th in Portland. In the autocross competition, your CMCS members upheld the club's honor.

Competitor	Class	Position
Terry Myers	S6	First
Tim Cox	SS	First
Kevin Jewell	SS	Second
Judy Jewell	SS-W	First
Mona Cox	SS-W	Second

In addition to the above trophy winners, we had other club members compete during the year.

However, we didn't win any awards for the car show competition. Why? Because I don't think CMCS had anyone competing in this category. Some of our members have the nicest cars in the NW and it seems they should be getting recognition for those cars.

The event calendar is already set for most of 2011. Autocrosses are generally held at the Shelton airport unless noted otherwise. Car shows are held during the sponsoring club's weekend events.

#### Adopt-a-Highway - Event Report

#### By CMCS Coordinator: John Thomas



Our highway cleanup session on Sunday, November 7, 2010, came off smoothly after considerable worry about recruiting volunteers and then about rainy weather. After the e-mail call for volunteers.

I reached a high of 17 volunteers. With the season of colds and flu coming up, we had several volunteers

who were experiencing flu symptoms and decided they should not expose themselves or us. Thanks to all volunteers.

Seattle and vicinity were experiencing beautiful weather early in the week starting November 1 and we had good hopes for good weather for this season. However, as the week advanced, the weather forecasts for Sunday became more pessimistic. We shall be looking for help again next year.

Although there were showers in Western Washington, that Sunday dawned with some bits of sun at my house and around our area. We did get through the entire cleanup session without precipitation, and the condition of the grassy pickup area was reasonable for walking and picking up the trash. The area was not heavily littered. We completed the cleanup in good time. I

would say we were very lucky with the weather, but the 11 of us who turned out were ready to do the job rain or shine and the size of the group was just about optimum.

Thanks to the workers at this event. The Maxwells, the Showakers, and Dennis Montgomery have helped at all three of the sessions this year. I was really pleased to have our new members, Margaret and Tony Yuchasz, volunteer, and long-time member Nancy Love pitch in to help. Chris vonRavensberg, past chairman, helped me a great deal and covered lots of ground on the steeper side hills. Lyal Schlotterbeck, too, has been a faithful helper at these cleanups. The photo shows our volunteers.



Left to right: Gary and Carol Maxwell, Lyal Schlotterbeck, Lynetta and Joe Showaker, Nancy Love, Chris vonRavensberg, Margaret and Tony Yuchasz, and Dennis Montgomery.

#### Membership Directory Status

Watch your mailbox for a 2010 printed membership directory. It should arrive the same day as your printed December newsletter. Inside you will find:

Your information per your disclosure consent form on file with CMCS.

No form: Your name(s), Corvette and Club Join date only.

Note: All Disclosure Consent forms submitted to date consent to either *full information* or to only *street address/zip removed*.

About 1/3 of the member addresses have forms on file.

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



<u>40 LAPS AGO</u>: December '70. The Board of Directors met at the home of Chris & Kathie Clark. It was discovered that the election of the officers were held a month too soon. Another election will be performed tomorrow just to ensure election procedures are done correctly per the by-laws. Ron McDuffie noted we should pick our dates for next year's autocrosses so the new schedules can be updated, which were then accomplished. WSCC

notes from Frank O. from reading a letter from the San Diego Club in regards to the increase in dues; they were not happy with the increase. It was discussed locally and felt the impact was not that big of a deal. A Christmas Tour was hosted by Ron McDuffie for an hour and a half ending at the Rec room at Penny Horton's apartment. Pacific Trail is still making our club jackets and a new order is possible due to the number of recent new members. Jeff Weymouth reported on the meeting with Westlake Chevrolet and their proposal on becoming a club sponsor. The board will prepare a flyer and present it to the membership for a vote to accept or reject. A special Board meeting will be convened in early January to count the ballots. Frank brought up the fact that we need to start looking for the next board officer nominations for next year, that being in February. Frank O. read received correspondence, and that he is working on contacting the Seafair Parade organization to be part of the parade next August. Also talk of organizing a Wine Tasting party next year, and increasing participating in autocross activities.

(<u>NOTE</u>: The above highlights were taking from the Board Officers monthly meeting notes contained in the club's histories. There were no general membership minutes available to refer from, and what On Your Marque newsletters I have in my possession begin in July of 1976. For your information, in compiling these articles, whatever minutes or records I am able to uncover, you have my assurance I will make no reference towards sensitive issues that should not be of public consumption unless requested through proper channels-Ben)

<u>30 LAPS AGO</u>: December '80. President Bruce Kelly presided over a brief meeting prior to the Annual Christmas Party held at the Norselander Restaurant. The obligatory annual membership vote to

approve the dues structure for the coming year was passed to keep the dues the as they currently are. Conformation was arrived at to have an event at SIR for a Drag Meet next year; time and date to be determined at a latter date. The Drag Meet will see the proceeds go to a charity to be determined later. Len Hodges has volunteered to chair the event. John & Cece Nelson with chair the Swap Meet next year. SIR will do timing and concessions; also there will be two practice sessions. Len headed a tour to the Arlington Tree Farm for all attending to pick out their Christmas tree. (A note in the newsletter says it *may* be a good idea to bring an alternative transportation for said tree-Ben). An outstanding article in the newsletter from John Greenwood "Put America First By Putting the Corvette Back Up Front" notes the Corvette Racing Teams determination to retake the leader of closed course racing back from Porsches (article is too lengthy to post here in its detail but I can make available to those interested in reading it-Ben)

<u>20 LAPS AGO</u>: December '90. President Cloyd Jackson gets the meeting started prior to the annual Christmas Party held at the Bravo Ristorante in Bellevue. A newsletter article by Jan Cockrum request members knowing of anyone with sons, daughters, or are friends of those who are stationed overseas in "Operation Desert Shield", let Jan know and she'll send they a holiday greeting on behalf of all CMCS members.

(<u>NOTE</u>: Unfortunately there comes times like this where little or no historical records are available to draw upon to enter club activities and special occasions of note to share here. I have no records on hand of the December General Membership meeting notes in the histories, and there are usually no Board meetings held in the month of December. Past month's General meeting notes are usually posted in the next month's newsletter, but there was no entry recorded in the January 1991 newsletter for December 1990. The only reference to December activities I had to draw upon were from the December newsletter.- Ben)

10 LAPS AGO: December 2000. CMCS Vette Group-Hug photo opt taken with local State Trooper Highway Patrol car at the summit of Steven's 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 Crockrum 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 waved 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 awhile since this has happened again, hasn't it...ben)

5 LAPS AGO: December '05. Mike & Marien Ketola's 2005 Magnetic Red coupe is featured on the newsletter's cover. President Rick Milsow conducts a short meeting prior to the annual Christmas Dinner at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. Membership was noted at 308, and the annual vote was taken by those present to approve the board's recommendation to maintain dues at the current rate. O. Yoo from Seaview Chevrolet, and, Stewart & Terry Lowe from Stewart's Collision Centre were the attending sponsors. The Charity committee and volunteering Santa Helpers delivered gifts and food to four needy families. Rudolph Gary Main once again provided the 'tops-down' Yellow Sleigh with Santa and his bag cruising through Bellevue and Redmond. Santa may have lost his hat in the clouds and a belt along the way, but the shinning eyes and heartwarming smiles from all the children at the four homes made things alright. An outstanding effort put together by Jan & Marlow Krein, chairpersons of the club's Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity and Adopt-A-Family event. The annual Olsheski Award went to Kevin Jewell for his outstanding dedication to the club throughout the year. Newsletter article submitted by Rick Stark reports the passing of long time club member Steve Heppler; 1946 – 2005, on October 18, 2005. Steve was a crew member at Stark's racing team from the mid 1960's, and owned a 1967 350hp maroon convertible. He contributed significantly towards building and maintaining Rick's 1969 race car. His dedication to the motor sport and love affair with the Corvette was inspirational to all that knew him.

#### Remember



The deadline for the Christmas Banquet is December 5th.

Be sure and attend this classy event.

#### "Tour" Radios Available Through CMCS

Looking for a Christmas present for a spouse or CMCS friend?



The "business" UHF radios that the Club uses to coordinate tours are available for purchase from CMCS. This is a Club courtesy/benefit to make it easier for you to join in the communications during the Club caravans and tours.

They are passed to you directly at CMCS cost, which is a significant discount from retail. The "standard model" we stock is the **Motorola RDU2080d**, a 2-watt 8-channel unit for \$204.

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#### "Family" VHF radios will not work.

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A functional and useful gift of high quality!

## Thanksgiving Dinner/Auction 2010 - Event Report By Marty Cameron



CMCS Thanksgiving Dinner was awesome with all the traditional fixins. A few recipes were exchanged. There were approximately 72 members that attended the dinner/general meeting/auction. The general meeting was a record at 21 minutes from start to finish! The auction brought in a

wild assortment of items, including: cookies, pie, bundt cakes, fudge, scarves, chocolate baskets, kids baskets, pictures, model cars, gift certificate for dinner at the culinary arts school, etc.

Thank you all for volunteering to set-up, clean-up, auctioneering, recording, cooking, and each member for contributing to the auction. A special thanks to my husband Bill Cameron for his patience while the house is filled with all the "stuff", all the packing and unpacking that I need to make this auction happen.



# National Corvette Museum News <a href="http://www.corvettemuseum.com">http://www.corvettemuseum.com</a> by Vince Perriello

#### It's Gonna Be a Bash

The 2011 C5/C6 Bash offers plenty of:

- Road tours to get you cruisin' our country roads
- Candid seminars on what to expect from Corvette for 2012
- Special unveilings
- Rides in the Museum's 1963 vintage racer Z06
- Lunch with the Corvette race team members Doug Fehan, Johnny O and Danny Binks
- Ladies' Oasis
- Special Garage Party with women of the GM Corvette Team
- Paul Keorner, C4/C5 Specialist
- and so much more!

The 2011 event is so jam-packed you'll need a vacation from this vacation! Don't miss all the special that only the NCM can bring you. Registration just went live, so sign up early to make sure you get a spot in the limited capacity activities. Check it out online at

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5\_bash/info.shtml

#### New Corvette Screensaver Available for Free Download

If you've been seeking a Corvette screensaver that incorporates all generations, we have a super cool one, and best of all it is free!

A NCM Volunteer has put together this screensaver with 120 images, including C1-C6, Racing and Prototype and Historical images. Download it for free online at

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/pictures/screensaver/index.shtml

(Note: It is the 2nd screensaver on the page)

#### Browse the Corvette Store Catalog

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#### Northwest 2014 Caravan Captain Named

Please welcome our newest captain for the 2014 NCM National Corvette Caravan! Robin Forrer of Hillsboro, OR will be leading the participants from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. She is looking for help from anyone in this four state area to help coordinate the caravan as it makes its way through this area. Keep in touch online via our Caravan site at <a href="http://corvettecaravan.com">http://corvettecaravan.com</a>.

#### **December 2010 Calendar**

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- Full page \$18.00 per issue

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