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CMCS Board Meeting - Thursday December 10th



Family Pancake House, Redmond 17621 Redmond Way, Redmond, WA 98052 5:30 pm for food 6:15 pm for meeting

Info: Bill Cameron: <u>VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com</u> Future Meeting: Jan 7, 2016



Do you have a car event bucket list? I know club members make a vacation out of the Barrett Jackson auction. Sometimes they go not to watch the auction, but more for the "car show" of all the for sale autos. Certainly every Corvette owner should take advantage of visiting the Museum and factory at Bowling Green if they get the chance. Many of you got to see both when you also participated in the Corvette Caravan. The Caravan is a "must do" for many Corvette fans. I got to thinking of other great events, or places, that some of you might have attended, or will in the future.

- 1. Woodward Dream Cruise in Detroit. Woodward Ave was the home of much street racing in the 1960's. It was where cars such as the 64 GTO were debuted, and ruled the street. In 1995 a group decided to revive the flavor of Woodward Ave with the Dream Cruise, which was intended to be a fund raiser for a local soccer field. The organizers had ambitious goals for 25,000 people. Instead, 250,000 people showed up. Last year there were 1.5 million people and 40,000 cars at the cruise. It is so crowded that the cruise is almost a static display. Perhaps the Cruise is falling victim to its own success.
- 2. Hot August Nights in Reno. Reno is always looking for ways to increase tourist traffic. In 1986 they organized a concert featuring Wolfman Jack, John & Dean and the Righteous Brothers. Many car enthusiasts attended and the sight of all the cars was as big of a draw as the concert. Now Hot August Nights is a 6 day event and you had better book your hotel a year in advance.
- 3. Monterey Peninsula. Some years ago you would go to Monterey for the Monterey Historic races and if you were lucky enough to snag a ticket you might also get to the Pebble Beach Concours. Most who came to town would also drive the 17 mile tour around the peninsula. Monterey has grown into a week-long event of many different car shows, several auctions, vintage races, and just about everything else having to do with our automobile hobby. The Monterey vintage races are arguably the best vintage racing in the USA. I have been fortunate to have had the opportunity to attend two of these events over the last 25 years.
- 4. This September Judy and I got to visit another one of our bucket list car items, when we traveled to England for the Goodwood Revival. The Revival is held at the restored Goodwood track and is the largest vintage racing weekend in the world. All six of the Shelby Cobra Daytona Coupes were

there, which was the first time in history that all six have been in the same place since they were built. Helping with the Chevy fans was the very fast, and loud, Can-Am race group, which was dominated by Chevy engines. This is not just car racing, there were several hundred booths and tents with everything from memorabilia to very expensive collector cars. Owner driven collector cars of every variety had a special parking area near the track. There were perhaps 500 collector cars, and we spent a couple of hours just walking the grass parking area. They encourage the spectators (which I would estimate at maybe 30,000 for each day) to dress in vintage attire. September was also the 75th anniversary of the start of the Battle of Britain, so many of the people were dressed in WWII style. For the women, hair, makeup and even seamed nylons helped complete the look. Probably half of the attendees were in "costume". The center of the race track is a large grass airfield. There were about 20 Spitfires, Hurricanes and Mustang fighters on the ground with one Blenheim bomber. The fighters took turns taking to the air to fly in formations around the race track. Fast race cars and even faster prop powered fighter planes, all in one location. What is there not to like?

So what is on your bucket list that you have always said you will do when you find the time? Perhaps 2016 is the year that you will finally find the opportunity to cross off one of your bucket items. This might be a good New Year resolution. It would definitely be more fun than most of the resolutions we normally make for New Year. I hope the holidays are joyful for you and yours.

Don't forget about our club elections coming up. Nearly all of the offices are open this year due to the by-law requirement that no office can be held more than 2 years in a row. The deadline for nominations is coming up on Feb 6. Our first major event of the 2016 year will be the annual Wet Weekend tour which will be the last weekend of Feb. Save that date, and there will be more information coming as we get closer. Hope to see you all at the club holiday party on Dec 19.

Kevin Jewell

Saturday Social at the Plum - 9 am

Join club members and others for a breakfast social. Plum Delicious Restaurant, 3212 NE Sunset Blvd, Renton, WA The agenda is food and Corvette talk. Just show up and enjoy. The socials happen most Saturdays, except those with conflicting CMCS events. See the activity list.



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Cover - Lyal & Susan Schlotterbeck's 2015 Stingray



Our first Corvette was a 2002 C5 Coupe. We picked it up in November of 2001. What a joy to drive. I drove the car at several of the CMCS School Daze track events and was a member of the team that organized the event for several years.

I decided it needed more power so I installed a twin turbo kit, which then lead to installing a new engine that

could handle the increased power along with a custom built transmission that could handle the 600 HP that the engine was now capable of producing. When we sold the C5 to get the new C7, the C5 had 126K miles on the odometer; needless to say I really enjoyed driving the C5.

Now on to our next Corvette. We ordered our Crystal Red 2015 C7 Z51 coupe the first week of December 2014 and expected it to arrive shortly after that, not realizing we would have to wait until the last week of June 2015 to pick it up at the dealership.

What a nice piece of technology comes with this car, the driver display is really cool; the way you can select different displays. The amount of information is phenomenal. The C5 had a heads-up display but nothing as nice as the one in the C7. The colors and the types of information displayed are fantastic.

We joined CMCS in the spring of 2002. I served on the CMCS board for a little over 2 years. We have participated in a wide range of club activities over the years including the Bothell 4th of July parade, CMCS 4th of July picnic, many of Kayla's RAD tours, Seattle In September and the Thanksgiving dinner/auction. I provided several of my woodworking items to the auction.

We recently participated in the CMCS North Cascades loop tour. I think this was our 4th or 5th time participating in this tour over the years. It has always been one of our favorites. We are looking forward to attending many more tours in the coming years with the Stingray.





Upcoming Activities

Red text: CMCS Events

December 2015

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- 12/19 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 12/19 CMCS General Meeting & Christmas Party(Page 8)
- 12/26 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)

January 2016

- 1/2 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 1/7 CMCS Board Meeting
- 1/9 CMCS General Meeting (Page 8)
- 1/23 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 1/30 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)

February 2016

- 2/6 CMCS General Meeting & Officer Nominations (Page 8)
- 2/13 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 2/20 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 2/26-28 Wet Weekend. 51st Annual. Details to follow. Mark your calendar.

March 2016

- 3/5 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 3/12 CMCS General Meeting & Officer Installation (TBD)
- 3/19 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)
- 3/26 Saturday Social at the Plum (Page 5)

May 2016

5/27-29 Big Sky Event by Electric City Corvette Club, Great Falls MT, Heritage Inn.

June 2016

- 6/3-4 Corvettes on the Columbia by 3 Rivers Corvette Club. Pasco Red Lion Inn.
- 6/17-19 Vette-A-Bration by Yakima Valley Vettes. www.yakimavalleyvettes.com

July 2016

7/15-16 *Corvettes on the High Desert* by the High Desert Corvette Club. For a Save-the-Date <u>flyer</u> go to the CMCS web Site: Events > Flyers & Forms.

CMCS General Meeting & Christmas Party - Dec. 19th



Collector's Choice Restaurant 215 Cypress Ave, Snohomish, WA 98290 5 pm Social * 6 pm Buffet Banquet \$37 per person



Pre-payment required by December 10th Send a check to PO Box 534, Kirkland WA 98083-0534 Prime rib, salmon & artichoke chicken entrees Roasted red potatoes, vegetable, tossed salad, rolls Coffee, tea and soda Dessert furnished by CMCS General Meeting followed by games

CMCS Coordinator: Kevin Jewell President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

CMCS General Meeting - January 9, 2016



Denny's Restaurant - Kent WA 1246 Central Ave. North, Kent WA 98032 4 pm food * Meeting about 5:15 pm Order from the standard menu Separate checks

CMCS has a private closed-door room for this meeting. From WA-167 take the 84th Ave S (N Central Ave) exit CMCS Coordinator: Oran Petersen Activities@CorvetteMargueClub.com

CMCS General Meeting - February 6, 2016



Officer Nominations Plum Delicious Restaurant 3212 NE Sunset Blvd, Renton, WA 4 pm food * Meeting about 5:15 pm Order from the standard menu Separate checks

CMCS Coordinator: Oran Petersen <u>Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com</u>



Adopt-a-Highway - Event Report by John R. Thomas

Your CMCS Adopt-a-Highway crew carried out the fall cleanup of our stretch of I-5 on October 22nd. Our sign is still in place, but another organization has adopted the ending interchange at NE 175th St and thus has slightly reduced our area of responsibility. We cleaned our usual complete distance, but we may cut back on the exit area next time. We gathered about 20

large bags of garbage plus several large items such as a large formed-sheet-metal valve cover (not GM as far as we know) and a wheel cover. Also, one person found a key set including car keys and a home key on a ring. Somebody must have felt a strong sense of loss for that. So, one of our members volunteered to try to find the key owner by contacting an auto dealer for that make and also by some web search.

My great thanks to all the volunteers. I rely greatly on our experienced drivers, Dennis Montgomery, who has been there every time, and Gene Kinnunen. I mixed up what a couple of volunteers told me, and the result was that we had 2 more workers arrive than we could accommodate in the 2 transport vehicles in one pass. Thus, with my thanks and apology, Joe Powell and Steve Yabroff withdrew. Specially my thanks to those who picked up the trash: Lou Arnoldi, Bill Benn, Frank Diss, Jon Echols, Rick Milsow, Stephanie and Russ Siverling, Ron and Dee Wuesthoff, Ellen Thayer and Bill Bauer. Almost all of these have worked for me before, but it is nice to have a mix of new and experienced workers. We took our picture of the worker group in front of the Wuesthoff's beautiful red 2011 Callaway Grand Sport convertible.



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The Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity

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 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 was busy selecting a family with children to adopt. The Charity Committee buys and wraps the gifts and purchases food for a Christmas dinner.

In past years, 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?

Due to privacy concerns we no longer deliver directly to the families.

For example, this year the Charity committee will shop for *Toys for Tots*, then later gather at a member's home to caravan to the delivery point with the toys. CMCS is also supporting a family by delivering the toys to a facility, who will then get them to the family.

We are also donating to the Port Townsend Aero Museum, which supports and trains teens in the many skills needed to restore, repair and fly airplanes. These skills, of course transfer to other machines, including Corvettes, to get the teens off to a good start in life. The museum is highly dedicated to youth. Many CMCS members visited the museum during the 50th Wet Weekend in 2015 and departed very impressed. Many donated to the museum during the visit.

This year CMCS did not hold an auction at the Thanksgiving feast. You may however, donate to the club as you wish to help keep our charity alive.

Your 2016 membership renewal form will also offer the opportunity for you to donate when you renew your membership, writing a single check. You will receive the renewal form in mid January.

Dee Ann Esping (April 4, 1946 – September 15, 1996)

Secretary in 1970 Vice President in 1973 President of the CMCS twice (1974 and 1993) Treasurer in 1979 Program Chair in 1969 and 1980 Membership Chair in 1971 and 1988 through 1992 Charity Community Services Chairperson from

1994 through 1996



CMCS Special Recognition - 4th Quarter 2015 * Gary Main



This quarter we recognize Gary Main. Gary & Kayla have been CMCS members since July of 1988. Gary has been continuously active in many aspects of the club since that time.

He has served as CMCS Treasurer

He has been CMCS president twice.

He & Kayla initiated and organized our Seattle in September event.

He has coordinated several Wet Weekend events.

He was involved with our School Daze, track event.

He has helped Kayla set up and test her RAD events, one of the most popular

activities in CMCS.

Gary & Kayla have been heavily involved in the CMCS newsletter production. He has dedicated his time each month for about the last 25 years to help fold, staple, seal, label and distribute the club newsletter. They have offered their home on numerous occasions to hold the "newsletter work parties". He delivers newsletters every month to the service lounge of Lee Johnson and Speedway. Perhaps some of you first heard of the club reading one of these newsletters while waiting for your car.

For years he has maintained our club membership database, working closely with the membership chair and newsletter editor.

He is the club "mailman", checking the club post office box frequently. He then tends to each piece, whether a check, bill, flyer, RSVP, or other club correspondence. He often must wait in line to retrieve returned mail or deal with other post office business.

Just recently Gary became our club representative to NCRS.

Few work as hard as Gary in furthering the interests of CMCS for all the members, and no one has done this for as many years.

Frank Olsheski Award - A CMCS Tradition by Jay Cockrum



Why does The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle have a **Frank Olsheski Award**? Why is it presented at the annual Christmas party? Who was Frank Olsheski?

There are and have been many CMCS members over the nearly 44 years the club has been in existence. Many, many of those have contributed so much of their time, abilities and knowledge to make the Corvette club what it is today.

For years one who stood out was **Frank Olsheski**. He probably held every club office, board, and

committee position, many more than once. He organized, led and participated in events. His home was the official mailing address for CMCS. Frank promoted the club to Corvette owners wherever he went. He was a CMCS cheerleader.

On his personal side, Frank was raised in Seattle and attended the U of W, earning bachelor's and master's degrees. He lived in Bothell and rode his bicycle to his work as an industrial arts teacher at Interlake High School. Mr. O, as he was known at school, was devoted to his career in education and was honored as the state's top industrial arts teacher.

With CMCS, one of his favorite things was being Santa at the CMCS Christmas parties. Members would earn, by their actions throughout the year, "gifts" that would be presented in the proper fashion from Santa's Bag. The neat thing was that these were hand made. Frank was proud of his Polish heritage and the bag contents reflected it. John Paul Nelson III recalls one such item as being a long set of wires attached to a small battery on one end and a lighted earring on the other, probably because John was one of the first men in CMCS sporting an earring. Because she complained about the Membership Meeting dinners always starting late, Jan Cockrum remembers getting a small lunch box with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. The stories go on and on.

Frank Olsheski was 41 when he passed away from complications of cancer in 1984. Initiated by club members Neil and Noreen Millen, a perpetual annual award was donated to keep the memory of Frank's enthusiasm alive. Since Santa at Christmas was him, that is the reason CMCS presents **The Frank Olsheski Award** at that time to a member who has gone above and beyond the call of duty during the year.

A great tradition, indeed.

Editor's Note: Jay & Jan Cockrum have been CMCS members since 1970. They were very involved in club activities for many years, and now live in Arizona. The above is a reprint from the January 2007 CMCS newsletter.

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CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes



November 21, 2015 Family Pancake House, Redmond WA by Mona Cox

Board members present were Kevin Jewell (President), Bill Cameron (Vice President), Mona Cox (Secretary), Steve Yabroff (Treasurer), Oran Petersen (Two Year Board/Activities), and Kayla Main (One Year Board). Absent was Bob Renner (Past President Pro Tem).

Following a scrumptious turkey and ham dinner with pumpkin pie and wedding cake (furnished by newlyweds Robb and Morlene Mitchell), PRESIDENT Kevin Jewell called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting, and invited all to take home some dessert. *Kevin then noted that in recent years, the November get-together was a fund raiser for the Dee Esping Charity Fund. While there was no designated fundraising event this year, the charity is very much alive. Kevin asks that people still continue to donate to the charity fund. You can contribute any time you wish (give the donation to him or Steve Yabroff). He also noted that there will be a charity donation line on the 2016 renewal form. This year, approximately \$2,000 will be spent from the fund. The money will go to and/or be spent on, the Veterans Home in Retsil, the Port Townsend Aero Museum, Toys for Tots, and for gifts for a family that the club adopted this holiday season. If anyone would like to chair the Charity Committee in 2016, let Kevin know. *The NWACC Banquet was held November 7, with CMCS hosting the event. The event was well-attended, the food was great, and there were many raffle prizes up for grabs. For the second year in a row, CMCS won the NWACC Club Participation Award! Along with the award, our NWACC dues (\$75) were refunded. Everyone is encouraged to attend next year.

VICE PRESIDENT Bill Cameron has 3 club radios for sale, at \$228 each. *Bill is still looking for people to run for board positions for next year. Please let him know if you're interested.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Mona Cox): The October 2015 minutes, as shown in the November 2015 newsletter, were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Steve Yabroff reported that the bills are paid and the books are in order. There was \$653 profit from the NWACC Banquet. As always, copies of the Treasurer's reports were available for review.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Oran Petersen standing in for Candy Turi): Steve and Joann Ashlock were voted into the club. Membership now stands at 272.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: (Oran Petersen)

• December 19 - Christmas party and General Membership meeting at the Collector's Choice Restaurant in Snohomish. RSVP and payment deadline is

December 10. Send a check (\$37 per person) to CMCS, P.O. Box 534, Kirkland, WA 98083-0534.

- January 9 January General Membership meeting will be at Denny's in Kent.
- February 6 February General Membership and Board Nominations meeting will be at the Plum Delicious Restaurant in Renton.
- February 26-28 (2 nights) Wet Weekend in Long Beach, Oregon.

**For details on all upcoming events, check the club website.

Committee Reports:

NEWSLETTER: Oran has cover cars (pictures and bios) for the next couple months. To get your car on the cover, contact him.

APPAREL: Marty Cameron has items for sale, or you can place an order. She reminded everyone that CMCS apparel would be a great holiday gift!

CHARITY: Marty Cameron reported: *November 28 - shop for our adopted family and/or Toys for Tots. Meet at Panera Bread in Bear Creek (Redmond) at 9:30 a.m. Meet for lunch after shopping, and then go to Bill and Marty's house to wrap the family's gifts. *December 5 -11:00 a.m. - deliver adopted family's gifts. (For privacy reasons, we can't deliver to the family's house, nor will we meet them. We'll deliver the items to a facility.) *December 12 - 11:00 a.m. - meet at Bill and Marty's house to pick up toys, then caravan to the Toys for Tots drop off site in Redmond

PARADES: Jim McDonnell will carry Seattle Mayor Ed Murray in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. The club's first parade of 2016 is in LaConner, on the second Saturday in April. All Corvettes are welcome.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY: John Thomas reported that the October cleanup was successful. The next cleanup will be in April.

NCRS: Gary Main reported that the Northwest Chapter of NCRS has a new board, some of which are also CMCS members. *The annual Christmas Brunch will be held December 6 at 1:00 p.m. at the Bud Bay Café in Olympia. *January 9 - Judging School in Gig Harbor at the Tacoma Narrows Airport Hanger.

NCM: Wes Holmes absent; no report.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

*The Fourth Quarter Honoree is Gary Main, who received a certificate. Gary works behind the scenes a lot; he keeps the club database current, delivers newsletters to dealerships, picks up the club mail and distributes it to the correct people, recently agreed to become the club's NCRS rep, and much more. *A chairperson for the August 28, 2016 XXX Car Show is still needed. Let Kevin know if you'd like to chair the event. 50-50 DRAWING (Jack Goodman and Claudia Simmons): Robb Mitchell was the lucky winner of \$60, which was half of the funds collected. The other half goes to the Shoreline Community College's GM-ASEP (Automotive Service Educational Program) to support a student sponsored by a GM dealer.

Next Meetings:

- Next Board Meeting: Thursday, December 10 at the Family Pancake House in Redmond. Eat at 5:30 p.m.; meeting around 6:00 p.m.
- Next General Membership Meeting: December 19 at the Collector's Choice in Arlington. Social at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:00 p.m. RSVP and payment (\$37 per person) must be received at the club post office box by December 10.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mona Cox, Secretary

Port Townsend Aero Museum Thank You

Corvette Marque Club P.O. Box 534 Kirkland, WA 98083



Dear Club Members,

We want to thank you for your donation. Our mission, and the programs that support it, rely heavily on your generosity. Because of you, and others like you, we can continue to work with our communities' youth, while preserving our valuable aviation heritage.

One need only visit with those youthful and eager individuals to see that our future, as well as future generations, will be in good hands. There is something special about teenagers who show a genuine appreciation for the gifts you provide, that of education for them now, and inspiration for their tomorrows.

Let us thank you again on behalf of the board of trustees and all the many volunteers, who continue to work behind the scenes, all for the good of the museum.

Sincerely, Jerry and Peggy Thuotte Editor's Note: \$250 from the charity fund used by the museum to help youth.

Evergreen Health Foundation - Ken Andersen Donation

November 9, 2015

Corvette Marque Club of Seattle PO Box 534 Kirkland, WA 98083-0534



Dear Corvette Marque Club of Seattle,

On behalf of the physicians, nurses, staff and volunteers of Evergreen Health, thank you for your recent gift of \$100 to the Evergreen Health Foundation in memory of Kendall Andersen. As you requested, your gift will be directed to support the Hospice Fund.

We are proud to be serving the Eastside with high quality medical services, exceptional doctors and nurses, and the most advanced technology available. Evergreen Health is well known for our emphasis on compassionate care for our patients and their families. We will continue to bridge gaps in the delivery of medicine and to meet the changing needs of our community.

Your contribution is supporting excellence at Evergreen. Thank you for your vision and your generosity, and for helping us forward our mission to enhance the health and wellbeing of every life we touch.

Kae L. Peterson, CFRE Vice President Executive Director Evergreen Health Foundation

Funny Foto Classic



(First published in December of 2004)



Two new members joined us at the November meeting.



Steve & Joann Ashlock have a 2015 Crystal Red coupe.

Steve: Been married for 45 yrs, retired attorney from 35 yrs of practice with BA in Sociology, MEd in education, law degree from Gonzaga U. Taught migrant youth in the Everglades, FI and lived in the Alaskan bush North of the Arctic Circle and taught Eskimos for three years. Wanted a Corvette since watching route 66 as a youth, but distracted by 20 yrs of

Northwest boating. This is our first Corvette! Joann: Married to Steve 45 yrs, retired college administrator of 24 yrs with a BA in English, MEd in education, MA in English Literature from Gonzaga U. Taught migrant youth in the Everglades, Fl. and lived in the Alaskan bush and taught Eskimos for three years. We are eager to learn more about the unique history of Corvettes as well as basic skill/ performance driving. We'll be attending Ron Fellow's Driving School outside of Vegas in late February. Looking forward to spending time with Corvette enthusiasts!

Marty Cameron	2	Ryan Singh	13	Bob Hopper	24
Lauri Milsow	4	Karla Kothenbeutel	14	Tim Quenzer	24
Don Schwab	6	Roger Croshaw	15	Terry Thayer	26
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December Birthdays

Laps from the Past

by Ben Benninghoff - CMCS Historian



50 LAPS AGO: December '65. (There are no General Membership Meeting Minutes for this period of time in the Club histories. The following are taken from the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes- Ben). President Ed Baker opened the Board meeting at the WSP (Washington State Police) office in Seattle. Entertainment for the General Meeting was discussed (The Board meeting took place on December 1- Ben). Roger Orth mentioned that there were Club equipment and racing

films available for the membership to use. Jack Goffette was asked to check on the possibility of a Gem show in the future. John Thomas mentioned the possibility of having a joint meeting with the M.G. Car Club. Ed Baker stated receiving a letter from the MG Club asking if the Club was still solvent and how many members we had; Ed said he answered their letter on the Club's behalf. John Thomas also gave details on the Christmas party; the Club committed to providing the liquor for the cocktail hour at Bill Fowlers. The subject of Trophies was discussed and to whom they would be given will be discussed at a later time. The Board recommended a slate of next year's officers for election in the coming year. The need for a newsletter editor for next year was discussed. Lynn Holman and Cathy DeYoung were named as possible prospects. Roger Orth proposed that the Club procure insurance in order for us to host our own autocrosses; this was seconded & approved. Roger Orth asked about Club dues for next year and was recommended by Ed Baker for the dues to remain the same, with the rest of the Board in complete agreement.

40 LAPS AGO: December '75. The monthly meeting took place at the Windjammer South in conjunction with the annual Christmas Party. President Sam Sakura opened the meeting and dispensed with most of the usual reports. The annual Wet Weekend was briefly reported on with participant deadlines due in January. NWACC (NorthWest Association of Corvette Clubs) was set to have a Board meeting in January to discuss rule changes. A petition from SIR (Seattle International Raceway) was sent around asking for exemptions from the noise regulations. Club dues were approved for the coming year to be unchanged; renewals \$14 for singles; \$15 for couples, with new members at \$30 for singles and \$35 for couples. Half the Cold Duck provided for the party was donated by the Club's sponsor, **Lee Johnson Chevrolet**. They planned to host another Christmas Party later in December for underprivileged children

and asked for Club members to help provide transportation. The next General meeting needed to be rescheduled for a new location as the one scheduled to take place at the Peppertree was unavailable due to flooding.

30 LAPS AGO: December '85. The monthly meeting took place at the Bellevue Athletic Club with President Mike Shelly presiding over the meeting and the evening's festivities. Club activities included a Mock Hayride and Christmas Party followed by a Pot Luck dinner at the home of the Shelly's, who also hosted a New Years Eve party. The membership welcomed Vic Bunn in as a new member. The Board recommended, and it was adopted by a majority vote of the attending membership at the Christmas Party, to increase Club renewal dues in the coming year; singles to \$20, couples \$25, Affiliate and Associate members \$5. Up to this point there was only a single issue of the Club's Newsletter, On Your Marque, for the winter months of December & January, referred to as the "Winter Issue." The Club voted to approve a "point system" where Club members would acquire points for attending Club sanctioned events; wearing Club clothing, patches, name tag and attending meetings. The members obtaining the most points over the year would be presented Man & Woman of The Year awards at the annual Awards Banquet. Note; for some reason members would not acquire points for wearing their name tag, Club jacket, or driving their Corvette to Board Meetings. Jan Cockrum was presented the annual Olsheski Award for her contributions to the Club over the past year. Jan wrote a very nice explanation of how the Frank Olsheski Award began and the reason for honoring Frank for all he did to promote the Club thus making CMCS a premier club for all to enjoy. Frank Olsheski passed away in May of 1984.

20 LAPS AGO: December '95. Bob & Valerie Johansen had the honor of having their 1962 Corvette, Roman Red/Red on the cover of the newsletter, printed in color for the first time. The Johansen's Corvette featured a 327/ 300hp 4-speed with a 3.36:1 positraction differential. The car was a 6-time NCRS Top Flight award winner. Bob completed a full body-off restoration that took 7 years to complete. They had 3 other Corvettes to welcome the 1962 into their impressive stables. President Bob Lazaroff got the monthly meeting started at Spazzo's Mediterranean Grill in Bellevue prior to the annual Christmas Party, seeing 70 members in attendance. Gary Main read a poem he created about the Christmas adopted families' car where several members collaborated together to fix it up for the family. Jan Cockrum, Membership Chair reported the Club had 162 members in good standing at that time. Club members 'elves' assisted Santa in delivering presents and food items to the Adopted Family prior to Christmas. Bob Lazaroff presented the annual Frank Olsheski Award to Gary Main for his outstanding contributions to the Club throughout the past year. The subject of increasing the Club dues for the

coming year was debated for a time, becoming somewhat heated between pro and con, with a review of the Clubs' Bylaws and Constitution. As an impasse was reached it was noted that a ballot would be sent out to all members in good standing, with the results revealed at a later time. The meeting finally came to an end with the arrival of Santa and his Bag of gifts. Thanks were given to Barbara Jackson and Verlene & Loren Sawyer for their contributions of the door prizes for the Christmas Party. Members attended Dickens's "A Christmas Carol" at the Seattle ACT Theater. Wet Weekend was set for February 23 & 24 at the Manresa Castle in historic Port Townsend. The Club welcomed a new sponsor, Stewart's Collision Center. Stewart Lowe had been a long time member and had taken out ads in the newsletter in the past. He was asked to become a Club Sponsor and he agreed. A Newsletter article, "The Restorer's Corner" noted John Paul Nelson III recently completed a body-off restoration of his 1971 "Montana Special featuring a modified flat-bed pickup design over the rear wheels. He admitted the previous owner, a Montana rancher "used" it on the open range and it did need some touch-up paint here 'n there, but it was reliable. John noted he'd NEVER touch something so "original" with new paint. "At least it still had iron bumpers!"

10 LAPS AGO: December '05. Mike & Marien Ketola's 2005 Magnetic Red coupe was featured on the newsletter cover. Marien wrote "See what happens when you just go out and look?" Mike decided to stop at Bret Chevrolet 'just to look' after hours, safe huh!, and spotted this one on the lot; the color reminded Mike of the 1960s Candy Apple Red. Two hours later they're driving it home! Nice! President Rick Milsow called the monthly meeting to order prior to the annual Christmas Party at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. Club Sponsors in attendance were Q. Yoo from Seaview Chevrolet, and, Stewart & Teri Lowe from Stewart's Collision Centre. Membership was announced at 308. The Board recommended the Club dues stay current for the coming year, which was agreed by a majority of the membership in attendance. The annual Santa Drive with the 'Club Elves' delivered gifts and food to the four Adopted Families assigned to the Club. The annual Wet Weekend was set for February 26 through 27 next year at the Inn at Port Hadlock. The Seattle Roadster Show was to take place March 3-4; Neil Maddy was the Club contact organizing Club participation for the event. Rick presented Kevin Jewell with the Frank Olsheski Award for his outstanding service to the Club throughout the year. A note following the last entry of the newsletter's article "Laps from the Past" saw that the article was coming to a conclusion as the author, Ben Benninghoff had concluded with all the Club's histories over the years. Ben was finally convinced to continue with the project 'as long as the membership felt it was worth it to continue. I hope the next ten years achieved that end. Ben. (Editor's Note: It did and you did. Thank you Ben!)

5 LAPS AGO: December '10. John Thomas's 2011 Z06 with Option Z07 Supersonic Blue Z06 was the featured member's Corvette on the newsletter cover. John had such a long history with the Club it took 3 pages to mention just a fraction of his associations with CMCS going back to the early days in the mid 1960s. John took the option R8C where the new owner picks up their new Corvette on the Delivery Lane at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. John was given a tour of the production facilities across the street at the Corvette Production Plant and watched his Corvette being assembled right before his eyes. He noted "it's an experience every Corvette owner should have at least once in their lifetime." Enjoy John, you deserve it. President Al Dager presided at the monthly meeting and Christmas Party at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. Membership was reported at 258 members in good standing. Club UHF radios were available for purchase at \$204 each. The Board presented their suggested slate of Club officers for election in the coming year and the floor was opened for further names to be placed into nominations. Charity Chair Marty Cameron reported that the past Thanksgiving Pot Luck and Craft & Home Baked Goods Auction was a big success. The funds raised to support the Charity's outreach programs are reserved for the coming year's projects. This year the Club Charity was funded to support two families in the Redmond area with Christmas gifts and food items, as well as supporting a Club event delivering Toys for Tots items to the Marines in the Seattle area. President Dager recognized Oran Petersen as the Club December Honoree for Oran's contributions to the Club. Oran has been the Club's monthly Newsletter, On Your Marque, Editor since 2003. Membership dues were again brought up to vote upon raising the rates for the coming year or have them remain at the current level. It was mentioned at last year's review that single member rates were increased to match the couples level based on the idea that it costs just as much to provide services for any household regardless of the number of members. At that time the Club's insurance carrier charged us a rate per household. That has changed and now we are charged per person. At the November Board meeting it was concluded that single member's dues should not be based upon anything other than the benefits of membership in general and put forth the suggestion that single dues for 2011 will be \$45 and couples \$50. After discussions a vote was taken and the measure was approved by those in attendance. President Al Dager presented the annual Frank Olsheski Award to Lorrie Montgomery for her contributions to the Club over the past year. The 46th Annual Wet Weekend outing was slated for Coupeville Inn Bed & Breakfast on Whidbey Island. Doris & Les Wagner, and, Jane & Michael Armstrong volunteered to co-host the event.

More Laps to come ...

National Corvette Museum News

by Vince Perriello



1995 Pace Car Donated

Tony Cairns bought his 1995 Corvette Pace Car at an auction in Florida, and wanting to preserve its low mileage, he stored it and never drove it.

After speaking with Connie Russell in the Development Department at the Museum a few years ago, Tony learned that the Museum did not own one. "I decided that if I couldn't drive it. It wasn't doing anyone any good just sitting there," Tony said.

This past summer, Tony decided to move forward with donating the car. "There are other 1995 Pace Cars you'll see driving around, but what makes this one worth the money is the low miles." The car has only 340 miles on the odometer.

A member of the Museum and owner of three Corvettes (1962, 1978 Pace Car and 2015 Z06), Tony has never visited the Museum but plans to swing by next May to see his car on display.

Seeking Corvette Stories

Do you have a touching, compelling, interesting or otherwise noteworthy "Corvette" story? If so, please share it with us!

Our America's Sports Car magazine (free subscription for members) will again feature stories from Corvette enthusiasts like you.

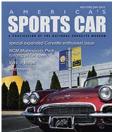
Please email your story, accompanied by a high res photo, to editor@corvettemuseum.org.

Only a few stories will be chosen, so don't be discouraged if yours is not selected.

Wendell Strode Presented with Nonprofit Award

On Wednesday, October 28, Museum Executive Director Wendell Strode was presented with the Distinguished Nonprofit Leadership Award by the Kentucky Nonprofit Network. Pictured is Strode with Museum Director of HR and Finance Christy Thomas.

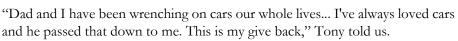






Son Surprises Dad with New Corvette

Some people surprise their dad with a new tie or shirt, but for Roger Rosenbum it was a 2016 Triple Black Stingray that son Tony surprised him with. Roger, a Flint, MI GM retiree with 38 years of service; and son Tony, a career United States Marine (retired) visited recently, taking R8C Museum delivery not only of Roger's Vette, but Tony also picked up his own 2016 Shark Gray Z06.



Delivery Customer Gets More Than a Car

Mike Basile and girlfriend of eight years, Stacy Sulima, had been planning a visit to the Museum for a few weeks, primarily to take delivery of Mike's new 2016 Z06 through the R8C Museum Delivery Program. But what Stacy didn't know was that Mike was also planning to 'pop the question' during the visit.



See <u>http://www.corvettemuseum.org/delivery-customer-gets-more-than-a-car/</u> to watch what came next!



Toys for Tots Delivery by Marty Cameron

Saturday December 12th we deliver to TOYS for TOTS at Coldwell Banker in Bella Bottega Shopping Center in Redmond. Meet at the Cameron's house at 11 am to load up your Corvette and caravan on a "long trip" to deliver the toys to

the Marines. For directions see your membership directory or phone (425) 885-6102. Make sure you wear your Christmas attire and decorate your car if you like. If we have a family delivery it will be announced later. We will do lunch after the delivery for those that wish.

2016 Wet Weekend - In Progress

2016 marks the 51st annual CMCS Wet Weekend. A committee is presently working details for this event, to be held Friday and Saturday February 26 & 27. We return home Sunday the 28th. If you would like to assist with planning and helping with the details for this event, please contact Activities chair Oran Petersen. <u>Activitiesd@CorvetteMarqueClub.com</u>

Watch the CMCS Web Site for full details, coming shortly.



December 2015 Calendar

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19 CMCS General Meeting & Christmas Party <u>(Page 8)</u>
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January 2016 Calendar

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And an extra special THANKS to our sponsors



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Search on Twitter for @CMCS63

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