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## CMCS Board Meeting - Thursday December 8th



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

Info: Lyal Schlotterbeck:

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Future Meeting: Thursday January 12, 2017



# And Away We Go!

By Bill Cameron CMCS President President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



## \*\*\*And Away We Go\*\*\*

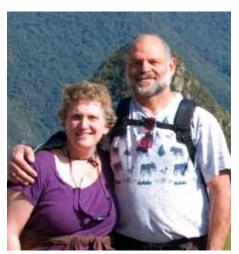
I would like to give a big thank you to all of the CMCS members who planned and contributed to the annual Thanksgiving dinner. CMCS supplied the turkeys, mashed potatoes, gravy, and soft drinks. The members brought a pot luck item to accompany the CMCS provided items, and I have to say our club has some of the BEST COOKS EVER. Thank you all again for making the Thanksgiving dinner such a success and a great time for all.

Remember our Christmas Party is coming up December 17th at Pogacha of Issaquah on Gilman Blvd in Issaquah. Dress is Business Casual for men and Holiday sparkle for women. Hope to see you all there.

For those whom cannot attend I would like to wish all the best for the holidays and a Happy New Year. See you all next year. Have fun and enjoy yourselves. Bill

#### \*\*\*And Away We Go\*\*\*

## Bill & Shari Roberts' 2008 Victory Red Coupe



Bill was first fascinated with Corvettes at the GM pavilion at the 1964 World's Fair, but it was drool only. Not only could he not afford one, but he didn't have a driver's license.

Fast forward several years. He has had a 2-seater ever since college, starting with a \$100 MG Midget, not quite in the Corvette range. The British series progressed through several MGs and Triumphs ending with an MGC, and then he switched to Japanese iron. When the 280-Z was starting to get tired he test drove a Z-28 Camaro. A

brief discussion ensued at home, ended with "No Camaro, get a Corvette!" A few years later, when the 280-Z's chronic issues coincided on a trip home from Eugene, Bill had enough.

But he was in a predicament. It was too late to order an '08 and the dealers didn't know when they could order '09s. A few hours on the computer and we were on our way to Sandy Oregon to pick it up the only 2LT C6, 6 speed in all of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. It just happened to be Crystal Red Metallic. The C6 is Bill's daily driver for all trips it is capable of.



Bill has had fun discovering the Corvette's hidden features, such as intermittent wipers that become constant above 60 MPH and EFI that shuts fuel to the injectors during deceleration above 1300 RPM. And, one not so fun "feature". About once or twice a year, pressing the start button causes everything in the car to go completely dead for about 10 seconds, or until some random event occurs such as releasing the clutch pedal. The GM rep said the communication buses, copied from Cadillac, become overloaded and shut down to reset. (This is fixed for the C7.)



Shari quickly declared that the C6 coupe had the most comfortable seat she had ever sat in and we joked about buying a C6 seat for her TV chair. The jokes became a reality and Shari now sits in a C6 seat in our Express van. The Corvette seat didn't help vehicle performance, but it makes road trips with our dogs feasible again.

Bill is a retired electrical engineer, doing occasional data recovery and computer forensics jobs; finding out who did what to a computer and recovering emails that disappeared completely. His Web Site is www.cleardata-forensics.com.

He is also into skiing and photography. Yes his water ski and cross country skis fit inside the Corvette, but it can't pull the ski boat.

Shari is a retired chemical engineer, devoting time to developing tasty gluten free, soy free, dairy free, egg free recipes. Readers with the above food sensitivities will find many delicious recipes at <a href="https://www.positivekitchen.wordpress.com">www.positivekitchen.wordpress.com</a>.

## CMCS General Meeting - Saturday January 14th



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**Claim Jumper Restaurant** Southcenter Area 5901 S 180th St, Tukwila, WA 98188 \* (206) 575-3918 1:00 pm for food \* 1:45 pm for meeting Coordinator: Dwain Knollman

Activites@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

Join us as we begin 2017 with our January General Meeting at Claim Jumper Restaurant located in Southcenter. We have reserved their semiprivate dining area for lunch and our general meeting. We will order off the menu with separate billing.

## CMCS Wet Weekend \* February 24/25, 2017

Red Lion Inn, 221 N Lincoln St, Port Angeles, WA 98362 \$119 + taxes per night for a premium waterfront room Includes Friday buffet dinner and Sat/Sun breakfast buffets To Reserve a room, Call (360) 417-5722 and refer to code Corv0224 **Deadline February 3, 2017 (DO NOT BOOK ONLINE or use other Numbers)** 

This event does not require payment to CMCS. All costs are covered by the Red Lion or are no-host.

Please RSVP to CMCS for planning purposes. Get a flyer and registration form on the CMCS Web Site at Events> Flyers & Forms> CMCS Wet Weekend 2017 or at CMCS events.

The flyer has schedules, a registration questionnaire and more event details. Or see the Wet Weekend RSVP Questionnaire (See Page 26 in this newsletter) Registration deadline is February 10th.

Registration also gets you a listing in the event booklet and a personalized magnetic plaque.

Event Coordinator: Candy Turi: Membership@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

## Did You Know by Kayla Main



Cutting and slicing onions used to be a real weepy job at my house. I don't wear contacts so I get the full effect of the onion aroma. Did you know that you can avoid watery eves by slicing NEXT to running water. I put my cutting board over the sink and turn on the water. It works great. Also if you get the onion smell on your hands, just rub your hands and fingers against a STAINLESS STEEL spoon. (If isn't stainless steel it won't work.) I hope these are new fixes to an old problem for you.

(Now if I can just discover one that really works on fish....)

Editor's Note: The "Did You Know" series was first published in 2004, submitted by Kayla Main. We are re-publishing them in this issue and throughout most of 2017.

## **Upcoming Activities**

Red text: CMCS Events

	December 2016
12/3	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
12/8	CMCS Board Meeting. Family Pancake House.
12/10	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
12/10	Toys for Tots Toy delivery. (Page 7)
12/17	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
12/17	CMCS Christmas Party & General Meeting. (Page 16)
12/24	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
12/31	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
	January 2017
1/7	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
1/12	CMCS Board Meeting. Family Pancake House.
1/14	No Social
1/14	CMCS General Meeting. (Page 6)
1/21	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
1/28	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
	February 2017
2/4	No Social
2/4	CMCS General Meeting & Officer Nominations
2/11	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
2/11	CMCS supported valve cover races at the Puyallup Swap Meet.
2/18	Saturday Social at the Plum. 9 am. (Page 16)
2/25	No Social
2/24-25	CMCS Wet Weekend. 52nd Annual. (Page 6)

## July 2017

7/14-15 **Corvette Weekend** by Southern Oregon Corvette Association. Grants Pass, OR. Details: <a href="http://www.sovette.com">http://www.sovette.com</a>.

## August 2019

- 8/23-28 Caravan to the National Corvette Museum. For a flyer go to the CMCS Web Site Events > Flyers & Forms 2019 NCM Caravan.
- 8/28-31 NCM 25th Anniversary Celebration. See the flyer on the CMCS Web Site.

## Toys For Tots Delivery to the Marines

We need Corvettes decorated for Christmas to deliver our toys to the Marines' **Toys for Tots** program. Meet at Cameron's house December 10th at 1 pm to load up and join the caravan to Bella Bottega Coldwell Banker Bain in Redmond to drop them off. Call **Marty Cameron (425) 885-6102** for more info or directions.



## Autocross Report by Brian Luessen

Congratulations to the many CMCS members taking first or second place in this year's overall NWACC Autocross results. Trophies were handed out at the November Year End Awards banquet and as you will see below, CMCS was well represented.

Class	Place	Name	Corvette Club
Novice	First	George Rinehart	CMCS
Novice	Second	Jasmine Green	NWACC
S-7	First	Mike Roylance	CMCS
S-7	Second	Brian Luessen	CMCS
S-6	First	Rome Hortaleza	NWACC
SS	First	Mike Marum	NWACC
SS	Second	Tim Cox	CMCS
SS+	First	Joe Minarik	CMCS
P-4	First	Chuck Spittal	Rose City
P-2	First	<b>Bob Phelps</b>	NWACC
P-SS	First	Jami Olerich	NWACC
Race Prepared	First	John Annon	NWACC
Race Prepared	Second	Randy Free	NWACC

Also, congratulations to <u>Tim Cox</u> on his receipt of the 2016 NWACC President's Award. Tim was recognized for his long-term participation and support of the Autocross. Randy Free, NWACC President, called out Tim's willingness to step up and help out with the many tasks needed to put on an event. If you have been to an Autocross, Tim has probably inspected your car, positioned your car in the start gate, or given you a little grief about a cone that was stuck under your car. Congratulations Tim!

And finally, CMCS was awarded the Club Participation Award for 2016. This is the third year in a row our club received this NWACC award for CMCS's level of participation in NWACC events.

Regarding 2017, efforts are underway to plan next year's events with more information to come early next year.

## Valve Cover Races - A History & Primer

#### by Oran Petersen

In September of 2002, CMCS initiated a new activity as part of what was then the Club's premier event, **Seattle in September (SIS):** *Valve Cover Races.* Both SIS and the Valve Cover Races were the result of the significant efforts of Gary and Kayla Main. The last SIS, and the last race as part of a club activity, was in September 2012.

However, the races are alive and well at the Puyallup Swap Meet, held in February of each year. This race is operated by a dedicated group of CMCS members as a fun thing and as a promotion of CMCS. We have a new track (for the past three years), and a computer timer system that measures to one thousandth of a second and tracks/manages the races for us.

Since about 45 percent of our members are new to CMCS since the last race, many have not participated or viewed the races. So let's do a missive on what a valve cover racer is, the track, and how a race works.

As the name implies, a valve cover racer is an automotive valve cover that has been fitted with wheels. They use gravity power only down a two-lane track about 30 feet long. A close analogy is pine wood derby, except that those are much smaller and those racers run in a slot to keep them on the track.

Below are photos of our track and a table full of racers ready for action.



These photos were taken at the 2016 Puyallup Swap Meet, held each year in early February at the fairgrounds.

The 2017 event is February 10th & 11th. The CMCS supported races are Saturday the 11th. The race crew gets passes into the event.

The photo below shows the 2016 winners, some of the CMCS crew, and more track details. The crew also participates in the race, and often win a trophy. The swap meet organizers create and present the "trophies", which are hand done and quite clever. On the left is Chris Hatten, representing the swap meet, shown here presenting the trophies.



This is the 2nd track. The 1st was built by Gary Main, and worked great. It had finish lights but no timer system. The current track was built by Oran Petersen (owner), Mike Roylance and Bill Roberts. The track is literally made from "old doors", wood rails and has legs of electrical conduit. Mike spent hours helping with the construction, and arranged for software that was initially used to track the races. The track design enables easy transport with a short-bed pickup and a "no tools" setup and breakdown.

The present system is a custom built timer with built-in software that is based on a commercially available pine wood derby system that combines the timers and tracking software, making race management much more simple. The results of each race are projected on the wall for all to see.

Bill Roberts is our electronics and computer expert. He solved several issues with our initial system, which had EMI (electromagnetic interference), and really saved our bacon on the first race with the new track, which used an earlier timer system that he modified and improved. He also built the start light system shown in the photo, which simulate drag race countdown lights to enhance the fun. The start pins drop automatically at the end of the countdown. He also built a power supply and electronics to operate a remote start pin system that is tied into the timer system and countdown system.

The focus for the race at the swap meet the past several years has been toward kids (of all ages). Note the step stool far right in the photo. This allows small kids to align their racer on the track themselves. Once they see how it works they really get into it. The participants get to "run their cars" on the track prior to the start of the formal race event which is often more fun for many than the race.

In this regard, we now have a number of "loaner cars". These were painted and decorated by Bill & Marty Cameron, and have a generic running gear built by Oran Petersen. Kids attending the meet are drawn in by these cars. They select a racer and have a great time.

**We would like more CMCS members to participate**, in both race support and in the race itself. We give you all the help you need for you to build your own racer if you like. Gary Main has a stock of valve covers to donate, and you can get all of the technical assistance you desire. The <u>race rules and racer rules</u> are on our CMCS Web Site in the downloads section.

Sound interesting? Contact Gary Main, Bill Cameron or Oran Petersen to get started. See the contact page in this newsletter, or send an email to <a href="mailto-Races@CorvetteMarqueClub.com">Races@CorvetteMarqueClub.com</a>.

#### **CMCS Booth at the Swap Meet**

In exchange for the races, which are supported by a donation of time by CMCS members, the swap meet organizers offer CMCS a free booth at the event, which in past years we have used to promote CMCS.

Starting in 2016, the meet changed schedule to a Friday/Saturday from the previous Saturday/Sunday schedule. CMCS did not have a booth in 2016 as this non-weekend schedule was not viable for those that supported the booth.

For 2017 we could have free booth if we can find member support for it. CMCS supplies handouts, newsletters & a banner for the booth, and you get free admission to the event. Let us know soon if you can support it. We need to arrange it prior to the event.

#### Seafair Thank You

On behalf of the Seafair scholarship committee I want to thank you for generously driving the princesses in your beautiful cars. The young women were very impressed with your Corvettes, but also commented on the kind and fun drivers.

Your willingness to make this commitment each year is fantastic! We are forever grateful.
Sincerely, Ruthie Waid



## Under the Hood by Kevin Jewell



The same day I started writing this column, our work server went down at 11 am. Our internal IT people couldn't resolve the issue, so we called in the outside consultant. The server still wasn't working by the end of the day. This is just one more reason that the idea of self-driving cars gives me concern. I am not alone with my concerns. A recent study by the University of Michigan reports that 46% of respondents prefer no self-driving

capability at all, while 15% want a fully self-driving vehicle. Almost 10% said they wouldn't be concerned about riding in a self-driving car. Wow, how can we be certain that the system won't crash? Another survey reported in the Puget Sound Business Journal shows that 69.5% believe people will be riding in self-driving cars within 10 years, 24% said 10-20 years, and only 3.4% say it will never happen. Are the PSBJ numbers skewed by the fact that we are in a tech hot-bed, where many believe the latest technology is the answer to every issue? I have read most of the claims about self-driving cars and they are claimed to eliminate auto deaths plus make it so easy to commute that everyone will simply jump in a rented pod and whisk to work. I remember reading some of the same claims decades ago in Popular Science and Popular Mechanics, although those claims had us flying rather than clogging the highways. Speaking of which, if everyone gives up transit to use the rented pod, don't we just add that many more trips to our highways, which are already over capacity? I do note that the pundits claim such things as "Autonomous transport will be ubiquitous by the 2040s, if not sooner" (Consumer Reports, Oct 2016). Of course it is always easier to make predictions 24 years in advance, as who will remember who made which prediction later? While I also dislike our atrocious traffic, in general I still enjoy driving. I suspect most of you do also, or you wouldn't own a Corvette.

Autonomous cars are claimed to be safer, so I thought I would report on safety improvements that we now take for granted. Did you know that Volvo, a brand associated with safety for decades, was granted a patent for the three-point seatbelt in 1959? What did Volvo then do? They released the patent to all manufacturers to use. However, even seat belts were slow to be adopted, let alone three-point restraints. In the US, the auto industry finally agreed to install seat belt anchors in all cars in 1962. As I remember the first shoulder belts were installed in US cars in 1969 models. Although the upper torso belt was installed on clips along the top of the window and was almost useless in use, so hardly anyone actually used the three-point restraint until the manufacturers started making this a combined one-piece unit. Way back in 1950, Consumer Reports

argued that a low vehicle was more stable than a high one. Yet, SUVs and higher riding cross-overs are the best-selling non-truck vehicles today.

When it comes to that special product that will make your current car last forever, or somehow make your special car have unbelievable power, hope springs eternal. If you added up all the modifications to your Corvette do you now have 700 naturally aspirated horsepower? You could, if all the individual claims were anywhere near accurate. Do you remember the STP demonstration unit on the counter at the local auto parts store? You would turn the handle and watch how the STP goop stuck to the gears where normal lubricating oil ran right off. Of course, no one thought to explain how all that thick goop was going to work when the gears were turning at 5000 rpm, instead the 100 rpm on the counter demo. How many of us bought STP hoping to extend the life of our engine, or transmission? True Grit icon John Wayne was touting Motaloy in 1954. Simply dropping 4 metal tabs of Motaloy in your gas tank was supposed to give you a ring and valve job while you drove. Guess what? Not one independent study could verify any such claims. Regardless, we still see claims all the time that some special product will solve all the problems. Seems the Internet has just made this an even bigger problem, as it is so easy to make unfounded claims on the Internet. Clearly, the old adage "If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably is" is still appropriate.

# Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup Nov. 6 - Event Report by John R. Thomas

We had a minimal but efficient crew to clean our adopted stretch of I-5 Southbound on Sunday, November 6. We had been worrying that there was going to be fairly heavy rain that morning, but we were lucky. The sun came out, the temperature was moderate for this time of year, and no wind. The knee-high grass was wet, but not too difficult for walking and picking. We picked up 13 bags of trash and piled up several large objects at shoulder's edge for pickup by WSDOT. Bob Redwing found a \$1 bill and someone else found a dime and a nickel. That was it for "keepers."

Thanks very much to the dedicated crew who showed up and got the job done. From left to right, in the photo, the crew included: Jeff Wolf, Abbie Curtis, Bob Redwing, Oran Petersen,



Joe Powell, Gene Kinnunen, Bob Stone and Kevin Wilson. Seven of us (Jeff, Abbie, Gene, Bob R. and Bob S., Joe and I) had brunch afterwards at Shari's and very much enjoyed the conversation.

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Year/Model Corvette	Miles	Color	Transmission	Price				
2017 Coupe Z51 1LT	New	Torch Red	Auto	\$61,055				
2017 Coupe Z51 2LT	New	Black	Manual	\$67,280				
2017 Coupe GS 2LT	New	Black	Auto	\$75,000				
2016 Coupe Z51 2LT	1373	Shark Gray	Manual	\$56,777				
2015 Coupe Z51 2LT	18,752	Black	Auto	\$53,777				
2013 Coupe GS 3LT	18,202	Black	Manual	\$45,777				
2012 Coupe GS 3LT	7,263	Cyber Gray	Auto	\$44,777				
2012 Coupe GS 3LT	18,546	<b>Titanium Gray</b>	Auto	\$44,777				
2009 Coupe 2LT	13,000	Crystal Red	Auto	\$33,777				
2005 Convertible	38,826	Red	Auto	\$23,995				

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# CMCS General Meeting - Saturday December 17th Christmas Party



## Pogacha of Issaquah

120 NW Gilman Blvd Issaquah WA 98027

\$35 per Person

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

Elegant buffet including Seasonal Green Salad, Classic Caesar Salad Grilled Tenderloin Skewer, Sherry- Basil Chicken Sautéed Seasonal Vegetables, Roasted New Potatoes and Dessert. House non-alcoholic beverages are included.

No-Host Bar is also available.

If you choose to bring your own wine a \$15 corking fee per 750 ml bottle applies.

5:00 pm - Buffet Dinner

6:00 pm - White Elephant Gift Exchange

7:00 pm - General Meeting

(Gift value should be limited to \$10 or less)

(Each person is asked to bring a wrapped gift so everyone gets an early Christmas gift.)



Pre-pay RSVP by December 3rd Send your check payable to CMCS: PO Box 534, Kirkland WA 98083-0534

Event Coordinator: Dwain Knollman <a href="mailto:Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com">Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com</a>

## 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.



Coordinator: Oran Petersen Activities@corvettemarqueclub.com





Shannon & Brenda Sprock own two Corvettes: a 2014 Black Coupe and a 1970 Red Coupe. They have four children and live in Duvall. They traded their Porsche 911 for the C7 because the new Corvette looks better and performs better. He liked it so much he started looking more into the Corvette history, and attending car shows. He decided he wanted a classic C3 also, and plans to start taking it to car shows next year.



Murray & Anita Krebs own a 2001 Pewter Metallic Convertible. This is their fourth Corvette, third convertible (2-C5's) and a C5 Coupe. Murray is a retired union carpenter, and he enjoys gardening, home maintenance. helping friends and family, travel and their Corvettes! He and Anita eniov cruising with the top down, and Murray "needs the time behind the wheel." It makes him happy!



John Amack & Mary Lila Gary own a 1995 Torch **Red Coupe**, which is 95% restored. John enjoys driving his Corvette as much as the weather permits. John is a retired medical lab tech from Group Health, He has a BA in art and history from Western Washington State College (1969). He enjoys gardening and reading. He just returned from a 4.600 mile road trip to California.

## **December Birthdays**

Marty Cameron	2	Francis-Damasus Garcia	11	Harold Rubin	24
Rich Reed	2	Dennis Hill	11	Roger Croshaw	25
Lauri Milsow	4	Russell Siverling	15	John DeVore	27
Don Schwab	6	Ada Hawks	16	Rob Maynard	27
John Carmody	7	Laurelie McCance	18	Bill Roberts	28
Sandy Kamm	8	Leonard Smith	21	A J LaBenz Jr	29
Sharlene Cooper	9	Bob Hopper	24		

## Thanksgiving Dinner - Event Report



#### by Dwain Knollman

This year we selected Jubilee Reach in Bellevue as the location to hold our annual Thanksgiving General Meeting on November 12. Jubilee Reach is a 10-year old nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization with community outreach programs designed to fill the gap for Bellevue area children and families in need. It is staffed by over 900 volunteers and is one of several charities supported by CMCS.

You can read more about Jubilee Reach at their website, www.jubileereach.org. Jubilee Reach does not charge for the use of their meeting room/kitchen facilities, but instead asks for a donation "in kind." In keeping with that request, CMCS donated eight cases of printer paper which was very much appreciated.



We enjoyed a potluck dinner and socializing with friends and welcomed new members. As a special thank you to our membership, CMCS supplied the turkeys, gravy and mashed potatoes, with members bringing their favorite trimmings. A special thanks to Marty Cameron, Judy Jewell, Jean Yabroff and Jo Anne Knollman for preparing the turkeys, delicious gravy and mashed potatoes. There was quite a selection of dishes to choose from and enjoy.

Thanks to all those who brought trimmings and those who helped with set-up and clean-up. Events like this would not be possible without our fantastic member support.

Dwain Knollman

## **RSVP & Registration Deadlines**

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Event	Deadline	Notes
Christmas Party/General Meeting	12/3/16	Prepay RSVP to club address (Page 16)
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Wet Weekend - CMCS Reservation	2/10/16	No Fee. Form on the Web (Page 6)

## **CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes**



by Tim Cox November 12, 2016 Jubilee Reach, Bellevue WA

Board Members Present: Bill Cameron (President), Kevin Jewell (Past President), Dwain Knollman (2-Year Board Member), Oran Petersen (1-Year Board Member), Steve Yabroff (Treasurer), Tim Cox (Secretary), Lyal Schlotterbeck (Vice President)

Board Members absent: none

#### President

Bill Cameron called the meeting to order at 7:21 and thanked military personnel in the club and asked them to stand. He also asked for a minute of silence for those that lost their lives in service to the country. Bill also thanked Jean Yabroff, Jo Anne Knollman, Judy Jewell and his wife Marty for making the turkeys for tonight's dinner. Stephanie Siverling asked that going forward people bring recipes for the dishes they bring.

#### Vice President

Lyal Schlotterbeck reported that the club is still looking for members to run for next year's Board of Directors. He also added that he has eight radios programmed and available for sale for \$34.

#### Secretary

Tim Cox asked for any corrections from last GM minutes as published in the current newsletter. Upon hearing no corrections, the members approved the October 8, 2016 minutes.

#### Treasurer

Steve Yabroff reported that the club's books are balanced and the treasury is in great shape. Steve added that any member wanting more information on the club's financials should see him after the meeting.

#### Membership

Candy Turi introduced the following prospective members to the club:

- Shannon & Brenda Sprock
- Murray & Anita Krebs
- John Amack

Along with John's absent wife Mary Lila Gary, they were all voted into membership, raising the current count to 267.

#### Activities

Dwain Knollman discussed the December 17 Christmas Party at Pogacha in Issaquah and the January meeting at Claim Jumper at South Center.

Candy Turi talked about February's Wet Weekend to be held at the Red Lion Hotel Port Angeles February 24-25. The \$119 room rate includes Friday night dinner and breakfast Saturday and Sunday morning. You must register using the code found on the provided registration form or in the newsletter to get that package rate. Alton Loe added that he checked with the hotel and found that all rooms are pet friendly for a \$15 fee for the stay.

#### Newsletter

Oran Petersen reports he currently has three cars for the newsletter cover. He added that he is always looking for tech articles to publish.

#### **Charity**

Marty Cameron discussed Jubilee Reach and its programs. Marty also added that club's charity program will soon be buying items for the USO at JBLM, Toys for Tots and for two families at Jubilee Reach.

## **Apparel**

Marty Cameron asked that anyone interested in buying club apparel (polos, hats, etc...) should see her for more information.

#### **Parades**

Jim McDonnell read a letter from the Seafair Scholarship Committee, thanking us for our participation. He discussed our participation with several parade events. Jim also had a brief question and answer discussion over the results of the recent election and its impact on the movement to eliminate the need for front license plates.

## Adopt A Highway

John Thomas reported a successful highway pickup on November 6. Participants collected 13 bags of trash. John thanked his co-chair Joe Powell and his crew of Abbie Curtis, Jeff Wolf, Bob Stone, Bob Redwing and Kevin Wilson as well as his drivers Oran Petersen and Gene Kinnunen. John also mentioned the next pickup will be done in March or April.

#### **NCRS**

Gary Main reports NCRS will hold its Christmas brunch at the Budd Bay Café in Olympia and all are welcome to attend.

#### New Business

None

#### **Old Business**

Bill Cameron reminded members we need a chair for the 2017 July 4 picnic. The club provides burgers, hot dogs and drinks while the rest is potluck.

#### Other Discussions

Gary Main gave a brief report on the Auto Angels mission to fix older cars and donate them to families in need. Some vehicles are sold with the proceeds donated to charitable causes.

Bill Cameron reports the club donated eight cases of copy paper (valued at \$250) to Jubilee Reach in lieu of a fee for the use of their facilities.

#### 50-50

\$140 was brought in from ticket sales by Jack Goodman and Claudia Simmons. \$70 went to the winner Sarah Lloyd, and \$70 went to the club's ASEP scholarship fund.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tim Cox

Next Board Meeting is December 8 at Family Pancake House in Redmond.

Next General Membership Meeting is December 17 at Pogacha in Issaquah.

## Laps from the Past

by Ben Benninghoff - CMCS Historian



**50 LAPS AGO: December '66.** President John Thomas conducted a brief Club meeting prior to the Christmas Banquet held at the Hyatt House in Seattle. The affair was a semi-formal dress affair with a BYOB with mixers provided by the Club. The Club hosted a Christmas Lights Tour on the 17th. The Board of Officers had a meeting at the home of Club members John & Maralyn Thomas. Club Activities for the coming year were discussed, including the Championship Autocross and a Championship Rally in

April & May respectively. Also covered was the (WSCC) Western States Corvette Conference coming up in February, and, the (SCC) Sports Car Council sponsoring the racing movie: "Grand Prix". Each club in the council will receive a portion of the funds collected from ticket sales. The Board agreed on a slate of officers to participate in the upcoming Club Elections for the coming year.

**40 LAPS AGO: December '76.** A brief Club meeting was called to order by President Len Hodges prior to the beginning of the Annual Christmas Party at the Windjammer in Des Moines. A motion was approved to retain the present membership dues level at the then current level for the coming year. The deadline for signing up for the Wet Weekend outing was extended until December 20. Len thanked Club Sponsor Lee Johnson Chevrolet for their donation of Cold Duck for the Christmas Party. The Club also supported our sponsor, Lee Johnson Chevrolet with their own Christmas Party at their

dealership for underprivileged children. Membership was noted at 130. The Club was scheduled to participate in the Annual KIRO-TV Telethon in February, and then an outing for pizza afterwards. The Annual Wet Weekend 3-day outing was scheduled for February 11-13. The WWSCC (Western Washington Sports Car Council) was set to have an Awards Banquet in January, while NWACC (North West Association of Corvette Clubs) scheduled a Swap Meet in Centralia in January where they were to discuss rule changes for the coming season. A motion passed not to charge Corvettes Unlimited for their ad taken out in the Club newsletter for December, since they donated so many nice items for the Club's Christmas Party and the Telethon. The contact representative with Corvettes Unlimited passed from Jay Cockrum to Vern Cassel since Jay was no longer affiliated with them. The Board presented their suggested slate of officers for the coming elections. Additional nominations were opened for additional names from the floor, and then closed.

**30 LAPS AGO: December '86.** President Frank Brese conducted a brief meeting prior to the Christmas Party at the Windjammer on Shilshole. *(There are no histories available. - Ben)* 

**20 LAPS AGO: December '96.** Jerry & Judi Harper's 1996 LT4 6-speed manual 330 hp Roadster was the featured Club member's Corvette gracing the newsletter's cover. The Harpers have 4 other Corvettes in their ever expanding stable. The Harpers are wondering 'how does one keep warm with the top down'? Any ideas? President Gary Main called a brief meeting to order following a visit from Santa who bestowed gifts upon those who had done something "memorable" during the year. Membership Chair noted membership stood at 153 with a few prospective members in attendance. Stewart Lowe and Rick Stark, two of the Club's Sponsors, and Club members, attending the Christmas Party, were thanked for their support throughout the year. Activities Chair reminded everyone of the upcoming Wet Weekend outing taking place in February where the theme was the most unusual pocket protector for the boys, and the most outrageous shower cap for the girls. An Awards banquet was scheduled for March 8th (no mention was noted as which banquet this pertains to-Ben). The Annual Puyallup Swap Meet was scheduled for February 8. "Poster Queen" Jean Barlia was selling raffle tickets for the poster, with proceeds going to the Club's Charity funds for funding the annual Adopt-A-Family project during Christmas. It was announced that the revised Constitution & By-Laws had been approved by the Board Officers and was to be posted to the membership for their approval. Barbara Jackson announced that the Club had been approved by the State of Washington Highway Council to take care and clean-up a portion of I-5 in Adopt-A-Highway program. More details were scheduled to be posted in the January newsletter. President Gary Main presented the annual Olsheski Award to Ben Benninghoff for contributions made to the Club throughout the year. The membership approved keeping the annual dues the same for the coming year.

10 LAPS AGO: December '06. Dan Bechtol's 1964 "Little Old Lady" Riverside Red Stingray Coupe was Corvette featured on the newsletter's cover. The Corvette was purchased by Dan's grandmother in Riverside, California in 1968 when she was 48 years old. Dan's Grandma drove to Riverside California to visit her sister and came back with the Riverside Red Stingray Red coupe, which she purchased for \$2,400 and it became her daily driver car. As a result, stories circulated the neighborhood of this little old lady, barely tall enough to see over the steering wheel, who was seen driving around town with rakes, shovels and various yard instruments inside her Red Corvette. [Ben, T-Tops were first introduced in 1968 with the introduction of the C-3s | She passed away in January 2005 at the age of 84, driving the Corvette, daily, up until 3 months prior to her passing. The Corvette was inherited by Dan who performed a body-off restoration by Richey's Auto in Bellingham, Washington. The L76 327ci 365hp was numbers-correct with 107,000 original miles. While the Corvette was still a 'work-in-progress' Dan was very proud to carry on his Grandma's legacy, sans the rakes and shovels. President Gary Main called the monthly meeting to order following everyones partaking of the Muckleshoot Casino's fabulous buffet dinner and Club Christmas Party. Membership Chair Marty Cameron noted membership stood at 307. The Annual Wet Weekend outing was scheduled for February 23-25 at the Polynesian at Ocean Shores. Newsletter Editor Oran Petersen noted he had Club calendars for sale. \$5 each with proceeds going to the Club Charity Fund; the calendar featured Club member's Corvettes. The Santa brigade delivered presents, money and food to the three Adopt-A-Families that the Charity Committee supported this year. Gary Main provided the 'yellow' sleigh transporting Santa around the neighborhoods while the helpers followed along in their elves cars. The Club agreed to support the National Corvette Museum (NCM). A call went out for names to be placed on the ballet for the upcoming elections for Board Officers in the coming year. The Club members also voted to keep the annual dues structure the same for next year. Gary presented the Annual Frank Olsheski Award to Marty Cameron for all she has done to support the Club throughout the year.

**5 LAPS AGO: December '11.** Joe & Susan Powell's 1970 Silver Corvette T-Top Coupe was Corvette featured on the newsletter cover. The Powells were the 7th owners of this 454 4-speed Big Block C3, and they had the original Protect-O-Plate too. They had the Corvette for sale as they wanted to purchase a new 50th Anniversary, but he said he would not be too disappointed if he got to keep it around a while longer. President Steve Yabroff opened the monthly meeting prior to the Annual Christmas party held at the Renton Technical College. VP Stan Trask reported he had a new stash of UHF radios for sale at \$191 each. He also had Club business cards members could have to pass out to prospective members. Stan reminded all in attendance that the Annual Corvette Swap Meet was scheduled for the following February and he needed of volunteers to help

out. Membership Chair Jean Dager noted Club membership stood at 257. A slate of officer nominations was put before the membership for consideration. The newly elected officers will be installed at the Awards & Installation Banquet in March at Shawn O'Donnell's Irish Pub in Everett. Charity Chair Marty Cameron announced that a group of Club members successfully delivered a large number of toys to Toys for Tots. Also the Charity committee and volunteers delivered family gifts for a family of four for the Christmas Adopt-A-Family event. Kevin Jewell announced there was a limit of 60 people for the Wet Weekend outing in February. Steve announced that the Board of Officers has agreed to keep membership dues at their present level for the coming year. Steve also noted that Club member Richard Worthen was chosen as the Club's Member of the Quarter for his dedication to the Club. Chris Pillings and Sadie Hines were introduced to the membership as representatives of our Club sponsor, Lee Johnson Chevrolet. Steve presented Oran Petersen with a plaque with December's Newsletter cover in recognition of Oran's 100th issue of OYM (On Your Marque) newsletter (8 years and 4 months). Steve introduced John Paul Nelson III who presented a brief history of the Club and the background of the Frank Olsheski Award. This year's award went to Stan & Billie Trask. This year there was a dessert contest at the Christmas Party. Marty Cameron was the winner with her yummy Toffee, and she was awarded a set of baking sheets.

## Funny Foto-Kermit at the Races

(Originally Published October 2004)



Photo taken at the 2004 Seattle In September - Valve Cover Race Event

#### **National Corvette Museum News**

#### by Vince Perriello



#### Why Visit the NCM Motorsports Park?

Check out this nice video showcasing the NCM Motorsports Park - reiterating that anyone can drive on our state-of-the-art track, and that it is one of the finest facilities of its kind in the world.

"It's right up there in the top 15 racetracks that I've ever raced at," said professional race car driver Andy Pilgrim. "It's a great

acquisition for the state. This is like that golf course... you just never get bored playing it because it's always got something for you."

Check out the short video at the bottom of the Motorsports Park website at <a href="http://motorsportspark.org">http://motorsportspark.org</a> and make plans to attend an event next year!

#### Under the Hood

In this quick preview of our upcoming Under the Hood YouTube series, Daniel Decker from our Vehicle Maintenance and Preservation Department, takes us through what it took to get the one and only 1983 Corvette running again. We will be bringing other "Under the Hood" videos to you throughout the year with more hands-on techniques explained. Check out the promo at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zl8Xd5aH7yk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zl8Xd5aH7yk</a>

#### When Your Corvettes Are Like Family

For Ed and Geri Goldman, through the years they've had a lot of children... and by children we are referring to their Corvettes. Because when you love Corvettes as much as they do, it does seem like your cars are part of your family (and there's



a reason we call Corvette Boulevard our 'nursery').

On Thursday, October 27, 2016 - the Goldmans picked up their 21st R8C Delivery Corvette - the most deliveries by a couple to date.

Check out their story on our blog here. If you're in the market to purchase a new Corvette, red carpet treatment through the Museum Delivery Program is the way to go. If you are purchasing a new Corvette off the dealership floor, you can still participate in a similar program called the NCM Experience. Learn about these and many other personalized programs online at

http://www.corvettemuseum.org/visit/delivery-programs/

#### Travel to France with NCM

Join us for our second adventure to France for the 24 Hours of LeMans race. Highlights of the tour June 10-21 include three days in Paris with a visit to the Louvre and Eiffel Tower, Versailles, a show at Moulin Rouge, cruise on the Seine, guided day-trip to Normandy and Omaha beaches as



well as three days at Le Circuit de la Sarthe.

Hotels, ground transportation, tour tickets, all breakfasts, three dinners, Le Mans admission, grandstand race tickets, and Corral tickets are included. Tour fee is \$5,250 per person double occupancy or \$6,595 per person single occupancy.

View the complete details online at

http://www.corvettemuseum.org/event/mim-lemans/

## Wet Weekend RSVP Questionnaire

Pieas	е кѕvr у	iour attendance to <u>activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com (</u> or mail it in)
Numb	er Atten	ding:
O Yes	O No	Attending on Friday
O Yes	O No	Friday Tour
O Yes	O No	Airport Diner Lunch (no host) (order from menu, separate checks)
O Yes	O No	Friday Dinner Buffet (Hosted by Red Lion for registered members.)
O Yes	O No	Saturday Buffet Breakfast
O Yes	O No	Saturday Tour
O Yes	O No	Sunday Buffet Breakfast
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Vehicle Year, Model, Color and License:

Send to the club address: CMCS, PO Box 534, Kirkland WA 98083-0534 by February 10, 2017. (or answer the questions in an email to activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com)

## December 2016 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)
4	5	6	7	8 CMCS Board @ Pancake House	9	10 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)  CMCS Christmas Party & General Meeting (Page 16)
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)
25 Christmas	26	27	28	29	30	31 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year	2	3	4	5	6	7 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)
8	9	10	11	12 CMCS Board @ Pancake House	13	14 CMCS General Meeting. Claim Jumper (Page 6)
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## February 2017 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 CMCS General Meeting & Officer Nominations
5	6	7	8	9 CMCS Board @ Pancake House	10	11 CMCS Plum Social (Page 16)
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#### Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Corvette-Marque-Club-of-Seattle/178035695582803

#### Twitter:

Search on Twitter for @CMCS63

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