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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. Show up and enjoy.



The socials are most Saturdays, except those with conflicting CMCS events. Info: Oran Petersen Send email

No Social Oct. 12, Dec. 14.



Crystal Red Cruisin' By Ken Jones CMCS President



The leaves are turning and there are obvious signs that the Fall season is upon us. Of course that won't stop most Corvette enthusiasts from taking their cherished cars out of the garage. I have always felt that the Fall and Winter seasons are great for exploring our wonderful Pacific Northwest areas. There is less traffic, the kids are back in school, and hotels often offer discounted rates to gain our business. Just try to stay west of the Cascades, and watch the weather forecasts.

I'm sure that our club participants in the 2019 Corvette Caravan have returned home by now. I am anxious to have them share some of their experiences. Several members sent images via Facebook and other social media and it looked like there were lots of side trips and extended vacations. Thanks to Ken Thomas and Dennis Milliken for their extensive involvement and a huge thanks to Tony and Lynn Rehn at Evergreen Chevrolet for opening up their facilities for the Pacific Northwest Launch. The wonderful breakfast prepared by Chef Lynn was enough to fuel everyone for many miles!

I happened to read an article in the latest AARP magazine (yes I get that publication and have for decades) which chronicled a little event in upstate New York held 50 years ago and known affectionately as Woodstock. It was a fascinating piece and it got me to thinking about the turbulent times of the late 60's. Of course fast cars were very prevalent during that era before the government enacted the strict emission standards. And Zora Arkus-Duntov was continuing his crusade to convince General Motors to produce a mid-engine Corvette. He retired in 1975 without seeing it happen. I wish that he could have lived to see the C8.

Once again I want to point out the tremendous perks of being a Corvette enthusiast and belonging to the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle. Our October 12th general membership meeting is at Griot's Garage in Tacoma with a caravan preceding. The Thanksgiving gathering is November 16th at Westminster Chapel in Bellevue. The annual Christmas party is at the Everett Golf and Country Club on December 14th. This is a fine facility and a chance to dress up in your holiday finery. Another event not to be missed is the annual Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs (NWACC) awards banquet on November 2nd at the Clearwater Casino in Suquamish. This is a great chance to get away for the weekend and to see your fellow CMCS members receive many awards.

I would be remiss in closing without reminding readers of the upcoming CMCS elections in the spring. Many members, past and current, have left their marks on

the club and it has been a huge part of their lives. Please consider filling an officer or committee chair position as they become available.

That's all for now. Drive carefully and Save the Wave!

2019 Cascade Loop - Event Report By Kevin Jewell



On September 14th, 31 CMCS members in 16 cars headed east on the Cascade Loop Tour. Although it looked ominously like rain, our Saturday drive and evening was dry.

We temporarily split for lunch in Wenatchee. One group discovered a new restaurant that I suspect we will patronize again the next time we visit Wenatchee.

This is our third year doing an overnight in Pateros at Howards on the River. The rather nice motel was clean and inviting. Room lights were low with classical music playing on the sound system. Although we struggled the first two years with our large group and the restaurant seating, this year dinner was



flawless. The meals were prompt, good and reasonable in price.

Our Sunday return on Highway 20 was wet, but the scenery was enjoyed by all. We ended the tour with lunch at Coconut Kenny's in Sedro Woolley.

This is our fifth consecutive September Cascade Loop Tour. (Editor's Note: All coordinated by Kevin and Judy Jewell, 2015-2019. The previous Loop was 2009) There was discussion that perhaps it is time to try something different in 2020. If you have a good tour and destination in mind, bring your proposal to the next board meeting.



The "Loop Group" ready to depart The Brickyard Park & Ride

CMCS Board Meeting - Thursday October 10th

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

Info: Shaun Hayes

Future Meetings: Thursday Nov. 14, Family Pancake House, Redmond WA
Thursday Dec. 12, Family Pancake House, Redmond WA

Cover - Joe & Susan Powell's 2019 Torch Red GS Coupe



Oran warned me about the troubles he had experienced with his C4, but I didn't listen well enough, or so it would seem. Besides, I had already owned George Schwartz's highly modified '87 C4, a hardcore autocross car. The only problem I ever had with that car was driving it to and from Shelton for autocross weekend. That, and dealing with its abominable 4+3 gearbox. But I digress, as usual.

When I traded the 2017 Grand Sport for the 2017 Mustang Shelby GT350R, I needed another Corvette to remain as an active, voting member of CMCS. Plus, I had been wanting a tinker toy--something I could fiddle around with and have fun doing it. Long story short, Ruby, as the ruby red 40th Anniversary convertible was known, wound up being mostly all tinker and not much toy. It had quickly become a money sink, draining dollars like a Hoover.

I still love the look of a C4, but mine had not been maintained well, a post sale discovery. Without a livable, drivable Corvette, it was time for Ruby and me to part ways. Susan and I discussed it, and her point was that, now that I had fulfilled my bucket list dream of one day owning a Shelby, it was time to go home again. As an avid autocross enthusiast, I began looking for a 2019 Z51 Stingray, but Susan nudged me into another Grand Sport. We told our team at Evergreen Chevrolet what we wanted, and they

quickly made it happen, e. g., the Torch Red 2LT Grand Sport Coupe you see here and on the cover. We'd be remiss if we didn't shout out a special thanks to Kyle Renfro and Andy Baltra at Evergreen Chevrolet for their delivery

of one more Corvette Happy Ending.



Adopt-A-Highway - Sunday November 10th



by Kevin Wilson kevinwilson@q.com (206) 286-8750

Our next freeway cleanup & your next opportunity to volunteer for this Club activity is Sunday, November 10th. We need 8 to 10 volunteers, so please consider joining this fun & easy community service event. It's a natural way to get

started in one of our many club activities.

Please let me know by email to participate, or for answers to questions.

In return for our service we get:

- A sign posted along the freeway that identifies Corvette Marque Club of Seattle as the volunteer organization responsible for keeping this section of the freeway clean.
- A little fun morning exercise with other CMCS members.
- The satisfaction of supporting our community.
- To keep any good items we find (tools, cash, gift cards, other treasures)
- To wear a cool yellow hardhat and orange safety vest
- An opportunity for brunch at a nearby restaurant following the clean-up



Under the Hood

by Kevin Jewell



I suspect by now that many of you have been on the Chevrolet web site and "practiced" building your own C8. Most of the comments I have heard have been positive about the new C8. Several design features particularly caught my eye. During all my years at my parent's home, my parents drove Chrysler Corp. autos for their main car. They might

have an old Chevy car for my dad's work car, but the family sedan/wagon was always a Chrysler. One main reason was the transmission shifters. My father was rather opinionated (now where did I get this?) and he couldn't understand why after finally getting away from the floor shift or three on the tree column shift for our manual transmissions that we would still have a column shift for the automatic. In his mind the column shift (or even worse the floor shift automatic) simply wasted usable space. Our 55 Plymouth had a dainty shift lever on the dash. Then we had a succession of Dodges with the push button transmission. Now the C8 is featuring an almost invisible direction selection mechanism, somewhat ala Porsche or even some of the exotics. If you moved the selection device to the dash and ignored the paddle shifters, it would look right at home in a 1955 Plymouth. For years race cars have used small almost square steering wheels. In 2016 Corvette featured a D shaped steering wheel with a flat bottom. The logic is clear in that the flat bottom does provide more leg space under the wheel. However, when you turn the wheel the rounded part of the wheel now starts to interfere with the leg space. For the C8, Corvette now has an almost square wheel with a relatively flat top and bottom, and curved sides. I agree that this looks more like a race car. However, I also remember that the 1964 Chrysler (remember I was raised in a Chrysler family) New Yorker and 300 had a very similar square steering wheel. I suspect there were other Chrysler models with the square wheel, but I had personal experience with these two models. Are these two examples of the philosophy that there isn't anything really new in automobile design?

At least initially, all C8s will feature an 8-speed dual clutch automated transmission (DCT) built by Tremec. The initial single clutch transmission (SCT) proved to be very problematic. BMW, Ferrari, Lamborghini and many others started with SCTs. They were known to lurch on takeoff, rev the engine without forward motions, have clunky shifts and in some cases had extreme clutch wear. The web is full of stories of changing a \$5,000 clutch at less than 10,000 miles. One issue with the SCT was that the clutch would slip at the stop light, unless the driver shifted into neutral at every light. The DCT

was the next logical step and since it has two clutches, it can leave the transmission in neutral when stopped. All previous Corvettes had a fluid coupling (torque converter) between the engine and transmission, rather than a clutch. This fluid coupling allowed the car to sit at a light without causing undue transmission wear. We would all hope that the new Tremec DCT will be without fault. However, across town Ford is under heavy criticism for the thousands of DCT equipped Ford Focus and Fiesta models that have had major problems. To date, Ford has not issued a recall, but they have extended the warranty of several models. One quote I loved was that "Ford introduced their DCT in 2010 with more problems than an algebra book". We sincerely hope that Tremec has learned from all these earlier problems.

In the late 1980's, both GM and Ford were in talks with Jaguar about acquiring the British car manufacturer. Remember that this was a period of extreme consolidation in the auto world. Jaguar's chairman, Sir John Egan, was a former GM-Europe exec and some expected that GM would win the bid, but Ford ultimately bought Jaguar and Land Rover for about \$2.4 billion. Many of the Jaguar faithful were not happy with this change as they felt that Jaguar would lose its "soul". Shortly after the sale, I was judging the Jaguar group at an All British Field Meet in Vancouver, B. C. A Jag sedan had the typical leaping cat on the hood, but something wasn't quite right. Upon close inspection, I found a miniature choke collar around the neck of the leaper with a very small Ford blue oval hanging from the collar. It wasn't hard to guess the owner's feelings. About 9 years later, recently installed Ford president Alan Mulally (former Boeing exec) sells Jaguar Land Rover to Tata, the Indian car manufacturer, for about \$2.3 billion. Including the losses Jaguar Land Rover had incurred in the period of ownership, it was estimated that Ford got about half of their investment back. However, Mulally sold Jaguar Land Rover, Volvo and Ford's stake in Mazda, which gave Ford the cash to weather the financial crisis that forced GM and Chrysler into engineered bankruptcies. Jaguar Land Rover just announced a \$4.4 billion loss and plans to lay off thousands of employees. I wonder how the Tata executives now feel about their purchase. Although Mulally has retired from Ford, I suspect the remaining Ford executives are still grateful that they were fortunate enough to find a buyer to take Jaguar Land Rover off their books.

Pacific Raceway is the hub of auto sports in the NW. The Fiorito family started the track almost 60 years ago and grandson Jason, is the current president. The family had leased the facility to other operators over the years and by about year 2000, the track and facilities were in bad shape. In 2002 the family took control of operations, resurfaced parts of the track, added turn 10 to keep the road race cars off the drag strip and the traction compound (which turns to almost a slippery soap in the wet) improved restrooms and in

general made it a better track. They also ditched the Seattle International Raceway moniker and reverted to the original Pacific Raceway name. The owners have announced huge plans with a \$25 million first phase of a possible \$200 million investment. New research buildings related to automotive concepts, office space and of course motor sports use. Construction of the first phase is expected to start about the end of this year and include repaving parts of the road course and extracting 1 million cubic yards of gravel (the site is basically a gravel deposit) which will be processed and sold to help finance the development. The developer is Miles Resources of Puyallup which also owns several concrete ready-mix plants in the NW. I suspect we all know where the gravel will go. I remember reading years ago about some of these changes, so it will be interesting to see if they can actually make all the proposed improvements this time.

I have written twice before about local land speed record contender North American Eagle. Built mostly by retired engineers, Eagle consisted of a 4-wheeled surplus military F-104 jet fighter. We last saw Eagle at the conclusion of an autocross at the Shelton airport when Eagle and crew showed up for some static testing. In person Eagle is immense; almost 4 times as long as a C7 Corvette. It is with sadness that I report that in late August, Jessi Combs was driving (piloting?) Eagle on the dried lake bed in the Alvord Desert about 90 miles south of Burns, Oregon when she crashed Eagle and perished in the crash. Jessi was trying to best the



women's land speed record of 512 mph set in 1976 in a 3-wheeled jet car. Jessi already had set the women's 4-wheeled record of 398 mph in 2016. Last year she had a one-way pass of 483 mph, but mechanical problems prevented the mandatory two-way pass to validate the speed. Jessi was a competitive racer and somewhat of a TV personality with appearances on Overhaulin, Xtreme 4X4, and MythBusters.

Laps from the Past

- **50 Laps Ago: October 1969.** Frank Olsheski conducted the meeting at the Golden Tides Restaurant. Alan Green Chevrolet had stopped funding newsletter publication and mailing costs of about \$50 per month. New members were Dave Grant, Mike Gibben, and, Ken & Ruth Bogel, bringing the total to 73. There were 11 new members for the year. Events were the Alhambra Winery Tour near Yakima, and CMCS member attendance at the Dan Gurney 200 races at SIR (Seattle International Raceway). A Halloween Party was hosted by Maralyn Thomas on November 1, at \$1.00 per person. John Garrison of Garrison Associates was the guest speaker.
- 40 Laps Ago: October 1979. President Ernie Kahler conducted the meeting at the Old Ballard Fire House in Ballard. Two CMCS members won first place in their respective autocross classes; Joe Oaks in Street Stock, and Jim Hobbs in B-1. Membership remained at 104. Newsletter editor Frank Olsheski needed input. CMCS did not find drivers to support the Highline High School homecoming parade. Joyce Bear, Steve Forbes, and Len Hodges resigned their CMCS office positions, which were filled by Dee Esping for Treasurer, Noreen Millen for 2-year Board, and, Cece Nelson for Past President. An amendment to the CMCS Constitution and Bylaws, creating a new position of "Associate Member", was explained by Frank Olsheski and approved by the members.
- **30 Laps Ago: October 1989.** President Jan Cockrum conducted the meeting following dinner at the Blockhouse Restaurant, with 42 members and one prospective in attendance. Membership stood at 107. A Halloween Party was held at the home of Frank Breese and Karen Fourtier where several of the brave and adventurous bobbed for apples in the hot tub. CMCS sponsors included Rick Stark Enterprises, Western Corvette Supply and Lee Johnson Chevrolet in Kirkland. A representative from Pennzoil gave door prizes and a presentation on their product line.
- **20 Laps Ago: October 1999.** Steve & Maureen Barbee's 1991 Turquoise Metallic 6-speed coupe was on the cover. President Frank DePuy conducted the meeting at Western Corvette Supply (CMCS sponsor) in Lynnwood. New members were Todd Dooly, Michael & Marcia Hundahl, Dave Mayers, and John & Kathleen Behrens, bringing the total to 203, first time in CMCS history that membership exceeded 200. CMCS was taking canned food and non-perishable items for the Northwest Harvest food bank until the Thanksgiving Banquet. A presentation "Winterize Your Corvette" by Rick Spellman followed the meeting. Sixteen members came out for an Adopt-A-Highway cleanup session, coordinated by Dave and Rachelle Woodcook. Rachelle put on a tremendous feed-bag for the crew afterwards. Cassie Black coordinated a tour from Canyon Park to Mt. Vernon for a crab feed, enjoyed by 20 members. Loren & Verlene Sawyer hosted a costume Halloween Party at their home. Newsletter editor Cloyd Jackson ran out of tech articles and needed photos. He started printing the full newsletter at home. (Prior, some pages were printed at Costco.) Kayla Main reviewed the SIS (Seattle in September) 2000 event to enlighten new members. She also held a

planning meeting for the event at Shoreline Community College. CMCS group photos were available from Greg Westford. CMCS members Steve & Robin Cassidy moved to Texas to avoid the cold Washington weather.

10 Laps Ago: October 2009. Lyal & Susan Schlotterbeck's 2002 Magnetic Red coupe was on the cover. President Dennis Montgomery conducted the meeting following breakfast at the Old Country Buffet in Lynnwood. A Mystery Tour north followed the meeting. The total membership remained at 304. A membership directory was mailed at the same time as the newsletter. Marty Cameron, Charity Chair, showed a few of the afghans made by CMCS members auctioned at the November Thanksgiving Banquet and Auction. John R. Thomas gave a review on what Dee Esping did for the Club. (Our Christmas charity activities are named for her.) Ten CMCS Corvettes participated in the Issaquah Salmon Days Parade.

5 Laps Ago: October 2014. Terry & Ellen Thayer's 2014 black Z51 coupe was on the cover. Vice President Bill Cameron conducted the meeting in the absence of President Kevin Jewell, held at the Cascade Garden Restaurant in Issaquah. Membership remained at 251. About 12 CMCS Corvettes drove to Goldendale for a 3-day weekend, including a car show at the Maryhill Museum grounds and a hill climb race nearby. CMCS members "ran the hill" on Saturday and most watched the vintage racers on Sunday.

CMCS General Meeting - Saturday Oct. 12



Griot's Garage Indy Cafe 3333 S 38th St Tacoma, WA 98409



Noon - CMCS General Meeting

Food catered by the Old Spaghetti Factory after the meeting

Food is \$20 per person, pay at Griot's

Appetizer of Olive Tapenade, Caesar Salad, Penne w/ meat sauce, Chicken Alfredo, Bread, Water or Coke product, dessert.

RSVP on the CMCS website: Food - Yes/No

Caravan the freeways from Fry's Renton Coordinator: Jay Marshall Activities-cmcs@outlook.com

Event Schedule

10:45 am Arrive Fry's Electronics Renton for caravan to Griot's Garage Tacoma

800 Garden Ave N, Renton, WA 98057

11:00 am Depart Fry's

Noon CMCS General Meeting at Griot's Indy Cafe

12:30 pm Lunch catered by Old Spaghetti Factory (RSVP food: Yes/No)
1:15 pm Detailing demonstration by Griot's (RSVP demo: Yes/No)

CMCS General Meeting - Saturday November 16 Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner



Westminster Chapel 13646 NE 24th Bellevue, WA 98005-1829

Social 5 pm 5:30-6:30 pm: Dinner After Dinner: General Meeting.

CMCS provides turkey, dessert, soft drinks & water.

THIS IS A NO ALCOHOL NO SMOKING FACILITY

Attendees please bring a pot luck dish:

A-H: Salad

I-Q: Side Dish

R-Z: Vegetable Dish

Needed

Turkey Cookers
Gravy Makers
Mashed Potatoes

Do not bring appetizers or desserts please

Event Coordinator: Marty Cameron

Contact: (Send email)



Christmas Shoppers Needed

by Marty Cameron - CMCS Charity Chair November 23rd at 9:30 am Redmond, Bear Creek Panera Bread 17262 Redmond Way, Redmond, WA 98052

Needed: Christmas Elves for shopping. We shop for families with children using a wish list given us by Jubilee Reach. We also shop for Toys for Tots.

You get a list and CMCS money! The more shoppers we have the easier it is. Split the task with a partner or shop by yourself for a great experience.

After we shop and have lunch we go to our home to wrap and label.

This is a charity function. I hope to see you all November 23rd.

CMCS Christmas Party - Saturday December 14

Everett Golf and Country Club Noon to 4 pm

1500 52nd St SE, Everett, WA 98203 RSVP your attendance by December 4th Pay at the door (Cash or Check)

\$41 per person All Inclusive except Alcoholic Drinks
Event Coordinator: CMCS President Ken Jones

Buffet Lunch

- Grilled Top Sirloin Steak with Bordelaise
- Herb-Crusted Halibut with Warm Tomato Concasse
- Baby Red Potatoes
- Seasonal Vegetable Medley
- Classic Caesar Salad topped with house baked croutons and asiago cheese
- Artisan Rolls and Butter.

Apparel: Holiday Attire Welcome.

Bring a white elephant gift (one per person) - \$10 maximum value (Who knows what fabulous gift you might get in exchange)

Schedule

Noon 1:00 pm Social (No Host Bar)

Buffet Dinner

1:00 pm 2:00 pm

CMCS December General Meeting

- Approval of CMCS dues for 2020/2021
- Frank Olsheski Award
- Social & Games (White elephant gift exchange)



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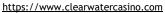
2019 NWACC Year-End Awards Banquet

Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs

Saturday November 2nd



Suquamish Clearwater Resort Host Hotel (866) 609-8700 15347 Suquamish Way NE Suquamish, WA 98392





Hosted by Glass Odyssey Corvette Club

Club Coordinator: David Ellingson davidellingson@wavecable.com

Banquet Details

Pacific Northwest Buffet including: Carved prime rib, salmon filet, chicken Cordon Bleu, three salads, red potatoes, fresh vegetables, rolls & butter, and assorted petit fours, sliced seasonal fruit, & seasonal fruit mousses in a chocolate cup.

\$42.00 Per Person ~ Prepaid

Fill out registration form and send with your check to arrive by October 19th to:

Glass Odyssey Corvette Club

P.O. Box 124

Silverdale, WA 98383

Evening Schedule

6:00 pm -No Host Social Hour

7:00 pm-Pacific NW Buffet Dinner

8:00 pm -Awards Presentation & Raffle Drawings

Hotel Reservations -Mention ${f Group}$ #17153 for Special Rates

A limited number of rooms will be held until October 5th at special rates

Resort Full Water View—\$149 + tax: NW Tower Partial View—\$135 + tax:



Tower or Resort w/o view—\$115 + tax

Call Clearwater Resort ~ (866) 609-8700 or register online

From Ken Jones, CMCS President: Here is a great opportunity for a weekend escape from the pressures of everyday life. We held a Wet Weekend at this facility about 10 years ago and it has been remodeled since. You can always depend on a wonderful evening of fellowship and entertainment at a NWACC banquet and this year it should be one of the best ever. Add in a night or two at the resort and you can't miss. It includes reserved parking for our Corvettes in the garage. Key deadlines:

- Oct 5th Discounted Room Rates end
- October 19th Event registration/payment deadline

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Dave & Nika Cayton bought a 1972 red coupe (it's the last of the all steel bumper Vettes!). five years ago. This is their first Corvette, and Dave is looking to get into auto crossing (but perhaps with another Vette that's not as pristine), and tours. Dave has a BS in Civil Engineering and an MBA as well. His parents assert that the first word from his mouth was Corvette! Now that's dedication. Dave and Nika are looking forward to meeting us all and continuing to enjoy his other interests such as fishing, hiking, archery, drumming, live music, beer and cigars.



Daniel & Tracey Overby have a 2017 black coupe. He has been a long-time admirer/lover of Corvettes, but never owned one before. So, when he found out that his now 2017 Corvette was marked down and had to be sold that day or it would go to auction, and since his doctor told him to get some hobbies. naturally he got the Corvette. Good choice Daniel! He is a structural engineer, married with two adult daughters and two grandchildren. He is looking forward to driving his Corvette and enjoying the camáraderie of other Corvette owners. He joined us on the Cascade Loop Tour and we thoroughly enjoyed his company.



Wayne Werner has a 2003 Torch Red convertible. He owned a Corvette 40 years ago and the itch never left. So, he recently bought his pristine 2003. He has joined us a at couple of Saturday Socials. We look forward to seeing him try out a variety of events. He has to show us his gorgeous Corvette. It really is incredible!

Welcome

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Tom & Joanna Ferlan have a 1956 blue convertible that they have owned for about 20 years. The car was stored for much of that time before being restored to a "street drivable condition." Tom is a retired Boeing mechanical engineer. They enjoy their summer home on Lake Roediger as much as possible during the warmer months. They are looking forward to meeting CMCS members with similar interests. We hope to see them as participate in many events and of course, show that special Corvette too.

Ken & Kathi Thomas have a 2014 Laguna Blue Z51 coupe and a 1970 blue convertible. (Two different eras of Stingrays) We know Ken because he was the five-state 2019 NCM Caravan Captain; a delight to work with too! They love to camp, play golf and enjoy Arizona in the winter. We look forward to seeing them participate in lots of CMCS activities.

Please welcome our new members to CMCS

October Birthdays

Aldene Loe	1	Dwain Knollman	7	Jay Marshall	18
Susan Ragan	1	Joe Showaker	11	Nika Cayton	19
Kendall Kunz	4	Gil Schoos	14	Louis Bianco	24
Ron Wuesthoff	4	Roger Tenbrink	14	Phillip Curtis	26
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Member Info Update for the October Directory <u>membership-cmcs@outlook.com</u>

CMCS prints a membership directory in May and October of each year for distribution to all member addresses that elect to receive printed newsletters and those that get the newsletter online but have paid \$4 to get the directories. (See back cover for details.) Please review your information for accuracy and recent changes by a deadline of October 1st so that the directory is accurate for you.

We distribute the new directory at the October general meeting (Oct. 12th at Griot's Garage), and mail the remainder through USPS after the meeting.

You should also check that the information disclosed in the May directory is as you wish it to be. If you wish changes, send us an update using the email address above by Oct. 1st. Also use this email if you have questions or to notify us of any last-minute updates after Oct. 1st.

General Meeting Minutes – September 21, 2019



Party Place, Sumner WA by Judy Jewell

The meeting was called to order at 1:16 pm.

Officers present: Ken Jones (President), Shaun Hayes (Vice President), Judy Jewell (Secretary), Candy Turi (One Year Board), Jay Marshall (Two Year Board), Oran Petersen (Past President)

President ----- Ken Jones

Ken thanked Oran and Dee and Candy and Craig for the tour, Jay and Kathy for arranging the meal at the Party Place, and the staff for cooking and serving us.

Vice President ------ Shaun Hayes

Shaun has radios and C6 – C7shields for sale for \$20. XXX Report: Date now permanently switched to the last Sunday in July. Website: Loop tour removed; BC Corvette Club Whistler 2020 event now posted.

Secretary ------Judy Jewell

The August Minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer -----Shaun Hayes for Robert Stone
The August Treasurers report is available for anyone's inspection.

2-Year Board ----- Jay Marshall

Thursday, September 26 – Submarine Tour. New date; sold out. Saturday, October 12 – General Meeting at Griot's in Tacoma.

Catered meal from Old Spaghetti Factory will be \$21/person at the door. Please RSVP.

Saturday, November 16 – Thanksgiving Potluck meeting at Westminster Chapel.

Saturday, December 14 – Everett Golf and Country Club Holiday Lunch.

1-Year Board ------ Candy Turi No report.

Past President -----Oran Petersen No Report.

Committees/Representatives/Coordinators

Charity ------ Marty Cameron No Report.

Membership------Steve Yabroff 256 members as of today. Welcomed Dave and Nika Cayton, Daniel and Tracey Overby, Wayne Werner, Tom and Joanna Ferlan, Ken and Kathi Thomas.

Newsletter-----Oran Petersen
Deadline for changes to the membership directory is October 1.

Distribution of printed copy will be at the October General Meeting and by mail.

Apparel ----- Bonnie Roylance No Report. Please contact Bonnie to order apparel.

Adopt-a-Highway------ Kevin Wilson No Report.

Evergreen Chevrolet Sponsor Liaison ------Joe Powell No Report. Ken mentioned that nine corvettes were sold at Evergreen last month.

NWACC (Northwest Association of Corvette clubs) ----- Ken JonesThe Annual Banquet on November 2 will be at the Clearwater
Casino in Suquamish.

NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society) -- -Ken Jones for Gary Main

See website: https://nwncrs.org.

NCM (National Corvette Museum) ----- Kevin Wilson No Report.

NCM Caravan ------Ken Thomas

New member and NW Caravan Captain Ken Thomas reported. 62 cars left the Evergreen Chevrolet kickoff. More than 4500 cars were registered – 7000+people. One of his biggest thrills was seeing the sign at Lolo Pass "Curves next 99 miles".

Parades-----Ken Jones for John Kamm Stayed tuned for news on the Woodinville Lights Parade.

Old/New Business

Ken Jones reported the results of the Bylaw change to streamline the membership process: Approved.

50/50 Raffle - Kevin and Judy Jewell for Claudia Simmons and Jack Goodman

Total was \$102. Winner of \$51 was Helen Wong.

Adjournment was at 1:55 pm.



2019 NCM Caravan - Event Report

by Dennis Milliken



Following a very rainy night, skies cleared and 69 Corvettes lined up for the August 22 early morning Launch of the Pacific Northwest Corvette Caravan to the National Corvette Museum's 25th Anniversary Celebration in Bowling Green Kentucky, August 28-31. Among the 69 were 11 Corvette teams from CMCS.





CMCS Caravan Members were Max Bettman; Nic Bley and friend John Hilburn; Jon Echols and brother-in-law Wayne Wallace; Gene and Gail Haubrich; Harv and Ada Hawks; Jim LaBenz and Susan Leong; Dennis and Connie Milliken; Dale Ragan and Friend Carl Molesworth; Roger and Jan Riediger; David and Cindy Tracey; and Ron and Dee Wuestfhoff.

The Launch was wonderfully supported by CMCS Sponsor Evergreen Chevrolet, with opening remarks from Executive Managing Partner Tony Rehn, while Tony's wife, Lynn, catered an excellent and delicious breakfast for

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Dennis & Connie Milliken at Evergreen Chevrolet

all of the Caravaners and helpers.

Steve Yabroff coordinated parking and staging for the Launch, with the help of 6 CMCS volunteers, and Joe Powell and Alton Loe managed registration. Thank you to all club members who arrived before 5:30 am to contribute to the success of the Launch!





All roads lead to Bowling Green, Kentucky for the 25th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum!

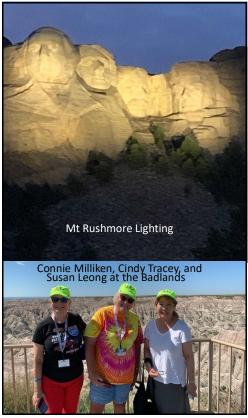
Contact Information for Ken Thomas, 2019 Pacific Northwest Caravan Captain

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The PNW Caravan gained numbers and momentum when the Oregon Caravan joined on Day 1 in Pasco, and ultimately grew to 215 cars. Along the way, Caravaners were welcomed with outstanding support by Chevrolet dealerships, which offered services to Caravaners, and Corvette Clubs. For example, the Sioux Falls Club provided a full blown banquet, with live entertainment and many door prizes. Our own Ron Wuesthoff became the magician's guest star! In Montana, some Caravaners toured The Little Bighorn National Monument. In South Dakota, we took a driving tour of the Badlands National Park and many visited Mount Rushmore for the evening lighting ceremony.

The caps were a hit everywhere we went!

At Wisconsin Dells, the PNW Caravan was incorporated into the



North Central Caravan at Chula Vista Resort, with the total number of Corvettes exceeding 425. By the time we made the final leg into Bowling Green from

Effingham, Illinois on August 28, our portion of the Caravan was 772 cars. Total participation from all regions grew to approximately 4,100 cars and 7,417 people. I was amazed at the courtesy of drivers and the orderliness of the Caravan. There were no backups, waiting, or crowding while entering Bowling Green on the first day of the Celebration.



The National Corvette Museum was very well prepared for the four day event. Parking was easy and convenient, and shuttle service was provided from parking lots at frequent intervals. The museum is incredible for its physical impressiveness, its layout, and its exhibits. I am proud to be a member of the NCM after observing how well it represents our passion for Corvettes. Noteworthy is the friendliness and helpfulness of museum staff and volunteers, Corvette Café, the Sinkhole Exhibit, with the restored cars, and the NCM Store. The Amphitheater was the site of an exciting August 29th Jefferson Starship concert for all attendees. Obviously, the unveiling of the new C8 Corvette, with the opportunity to sit in the car and see it in various colors was a hit. The GM factory representatives were extremely informative and courteous in answering questions.

While previous editions of the CMCS Newsletter listed all special events sponsored by the National Corvette Museum, here is a much abbreviated sampling of some that our members enjoyed at the NCM and Bowling Green:

- Kentucky State Police Escorted Scenic Drive through the Bowling Green area countryside - a spirited drive with about 100 Corvettes:
- Hot Laps on the NCM Motorsports Park Track;
- Karting at the NCM Motorsports Park:
- Ask the Experts Seminar; Corvette Mechanics Team:
- Party Like It's 1994 Dinner and Mixer;
- Incredible Lineup of Product Vendors:
- Cave Tours:
- Historic Mansion Tour and Tea.



Special Note: If you are a National Corvette Museum member, you have full access to video recordings of each of the excellent seminars that were offered during the Anniversary. Just log in to your account and click on the "Special Content" tab.

Our CMCS members described the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the National Corvette Museum as a trip of a lifetime. Much credit for organization and planning should be extended to Pacific Northwest Corvette Caravan Captain Ken Thomas and his wife. Kathi. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as CMCS Coordinator and Local



Leader for the Caravan. Thank you to the Club and its leadership team and its Evergreen Chevrolet sponsor. When planning begins in two years for the 2024 Caravan, I encourage you to consider this wonderful Corvette opportunity to see a large portion of the country and meet some great new friends.

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report



by Kevin Wilson (Local NCM Representative) <u>kevinwilson@q.com</u> (206) 286-8750

This month's article will be a little shorter than usual as I am on a National Corvette Museum (NCM) Museum in Motion (MiM) tour of the Southwest USA National Parks. This is my second tour with the NCM. The first trip was here in the Pacific Northwest. I'll

feature highlights of the SW National Parks Tour in the next newsletter. With the Pacific Northwest NCM Caravan group just wrapping up their journey to Bowling Green KY for the 25th anniversary of the NCM in early September, you might be wondering what other NCM sponsored trips will be happening prior to the next caravan 5 years from now. No worries, I list all the upcoming NCM events in the NCM column of our newsletter each month. Read on for latest news coming out of the Museum:

Retiring NCM Executive Director Wendell Strode named to 2020 Corvette Hall of Fame:

During the Corvette Hall of Fame banquet held on August 30, 2019, as part of the National Corvette Museum's 25th Anniversary celebration, NCM Board Chairman, Lon Helton, spoke to the 1,050 guests in attendance about reaching this milestone year. He shared his optimism for the future and expressed his gratitude for retiring Executive Director Wendell Strode. "Wendell, your 23 years of service to the NCM could never be [overstated]. A few years after it opened, the NCM fell on some pretty tough times, to the point where I think that its very existence was threatened. Not only did you rescue the NCM-you led it to the prosperity that we enjoy today."

He then went on to make a surprise announcement "that the 2020 class of the Corvette Hall of Fame will include Wendell Strode." The crowd showed their support with a thunderous standing ovation.

This honor is well-deserved, as Wendell was involved in getting the National Corvette Museum going when it was still just an idea. In 1988, word had spread that the National Corvette Restorers Society had been exploring the idea of building a Corvette Museum. Strode, a banker at the time, contacted the local Chamber of Commerce with an idea to initiate a proposal to have it built in Bowling Green, Kentucky. He then found himself heading up a task force, bringing to the table an offer of a 30-acre land donation from private citizens, and a commitment from the State of Kentucky to put in



the road and utilities. Strode also worked with the NCRS to put together a

financial package that included a feasibility study to get banks interested in joining the effort.

The Museum opened Labor Day weekend 1994 with much fanfare, but the excitement was short-lived as it soon began experiencing financial troubles. Strode was recruited to join the National Corvette Museum as Executive Director on December 20, 1996. At the time, he had never even driven a Corvette and had only ridden in one once. While he didn't know much about the car itself, what he did know was how to save its new home.

Strode worked to develop new strategies for generating funds, while making strides to repair strained relationships with the community, clubs, enthusiasts, media, the Plant, and GM. During his tenure, the Museum not only paid off its initial debt, but it nearly doubled its size, adding a world-class motorsports facility to its facilities. Under his leadership Museum membership grew from 1,600 enthusiasts to almost 36,000 members today. He even managed to survive a Corvette-swallowing sinkhole and helped to turn the attention it brought into a chance to share the Museum with a global audience.

NCRS Sponsors Higher Education Scholarship Through Museum

Without the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS), there would not be a National Corvette Museum. It was their idea to build a facility to house the history of Corvette, and now, they are once again offering an educational opportunity through the Museum. This time that opportunity is to benefit the future of the automotive hobby. "The NCRS Board wanted to give back to the NCM. The Museum's membership base is approximately 35,000 strong, while NCRS has about 15,000 members - so that's 20,000 enthusiasts that are not touched by NCRS," said Carlton Colclough, NCRS Representative on the National Corvette Museum Board of Directors. "We wanted to generate interest in the younger generation and get them interested. The students don't have to be attending college, it can be a tech school, or anything post high school education."



NCRS gifted 18 scholarships in 2019 through both NCRS and the NCRS Foundation totaling more that \$42,000.

"When Carlton approached us on behalf of the NCRS with this idea, we were thrilled," said Dr. Sean Preston, President & CEO of the Museum. "For the past several years our team has hosted a number of students for career tours, helping to get them interested in the

employment opportunities that are available when they complete their education. This adds another layer to the Museum's educational offerings, helps to promote the Museum and NCRS, and is a wonderful benefit to our members and their children or grandchildren," added Sean.

Process - Applications are made available beginning in Jan/Feb each year to students desiring to apply. More details can be found here: https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/educational-programs/scholarship/

Current Corvette Raffles:

The Corvette raffles at the NCM are also a major fund raiser that helps to keep the museum operating. I typically mention these at our monthly meetings and in the Newsletter. All you need to do to enter a raffle for a chance to win one of these fabulous Corvettes is go to the NCM Raffle web page: (https://www.corvettemuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Raffle-Ticket-Request-5.2.19-Ambassadors.pdf), download and print a form, fill it out & send it in to the NCM with a Credit Card number, and they will purchase the tickets for you and enter it into the raffle drawing right there in Kentucky! Note this form has a line for "ticket sold by". You would put my name in there so our club gets credit for the order. Just let me know if you send in an order and for how many tickets at (kevinwilson@q.com) so we can receive credit for our Club supporting the NCM. If you would prefer to purchase tickets with cash or a check you will need to bring your form to a CMCS meeting, and I can get it processed.

Three Corvette Raffle winners were drawn during the NCM 25th Anniversary celebration recently. Turns out it wasn't me! I know several of our members purchased tickets as well, and unfortunately, they weren't winners of a Corvette either, however they are winners in that the raffle tickets they purchased help to support the museum so it can carry out its mission. Thank You to all who support the museum by purchasing a ticket. Your support is truly appreciated. Here are the winners of the last 3 drawings:

John Hadley of Sylvania, OH with ticket #829 won the 2019 Shadow Gray Grand Sport Coupe. Raffle Drawing 08/29/2019 (these were \$150 tickets limited to 1500)

Jeff Vallett of Old Hickory, TN with ticket #615 won the "Build Your Own" 2020 "C8" Stingray Corvette. Raffle Drawing 08/30/2019 (these were \$250 tickets limited to 1000)

Wade Harshaw of Canton, CT with ticket #10834 won the VIN 25 2020 Torch Red Stingray Corvette. Raffle Drawing 08/31/2019 (these were the \$25 tickets - unlimited)

There are plenty of Corvettes still being raffled off by the museum. Here is the current line-up:

2019 Arctic White Corvette Coupe Limited to 1000 tickets - Price: \$150 Drawing: October 24, 2019 - 2:00 PM



2019 Shadow Gray Corvette ZR1 Coupe Limited to 1500 tickets - Price: \$300 Drawing: November 21, 2019 2:00 pm This is a fully loaded 3LT high wing model!



2020 Black Corvette Coupe Unlimited tickets - Price: \$20 Drawing: April 25, 2020 - 2:00 PM. Here are the lowest priced Raffle Tickets by far!



2019 National Corvette Museum Events

Many of these events put together by the NCM sell out quickly (but you can typically still get your name on a wait list) so be sure to keep an eye on this space for additional upcoming trips to consider for your future vacation planning purposes. You can find details about these events and sign up for them here: https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/

I'll be on the National Parks Tour this September and when it became available for registration it sold out in just one weekend! It should be a great trip.

Here are the remainder of the NCM Corvette related events currently scheduled for the rest of the year and into 2020.

- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky 2019 Tour (1); Sep 30 Oct 5 (Reg. open)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky 2019 Tour (2); Oct 14 Oct 19 (Reg. open)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky 2019 Tour (3); Oct 21 Oct 26 (Reg. open)
- 2019 Corvette Racing Presented by Michelin @ AACA Museum Hershey, PA; Oct 25 & 26 (open)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky 2019 Tour (4); October 28 Nov 2 (Reg. open)
- Vets 'n Vettes presented by Mobil 1 @ NCM; Nov 7-9 (Reg. opens soon)
- Michelin NCM Bash @ NCM Apr 23 Apr 25 2020 (Reg. end of 2019)

Did you know?

The celebration of the NCM's 25th Anniversary had over 12,000 visitors leading into Labor Day weekend? Most of them were part of the many Caravans that rolled into the museum. If you were there, you'll love how the short (2 minute) video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ubbiwlNwss brings back fond memories. And if you weren't there, you'll enjoy it too!

That's all for now - Save the Wave!

Reminders

- Make sure that your membership information is current by October 1st.
 Sent to membership-cmcs@outlook.com or update on the website.
- Be aware of event RSVP deadlines. Don't miss out.

Activities Current as of 9/25/19

Red text: CMCS Events · Green text: Parades · Magenta text: Autocross

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Social Oct	12th	1	2	3	4	5 Social
6	7	8	9	10 Board	11	12 General Meeting
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Social
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Social
27	28	29	30	31	Saturday Social: Page 3	

10/10 CMCS Board Meeting - Family Pancake House Page 6

Board

10/12 CMCS General Meeting - Griot's Garage in Tacoma Page 12 Meeting

November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Saturday Social: Page 3				1	2 Social NWACC Banquet	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Social
10 Adopt-a- Highway	11	12	13	14 Board	15	16 General Meeting
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Social Christmas Shopping
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Social

11/2 NWACC Year-End Banquet. Page 15

Non CMCS

11/10 Adopt-A-Highway clean-up. Page 7

Activity

11/14 CMCS Board Meeting - Family Pancake House Page 6

Board

11/16 General Meeting & Thanksgiving Potluck. Page 13

Meeting

11/23 Christmas Shopping Event. Page 13

Activity

December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 NCRS Event	2	3	4	5	6	7 Social
8	9	10	11	12 Board	13	14 General Meeting & Christmas Party
15 Woodinville Parade	16	17	18	19	20	21 Social
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Social
29	30	31	Saturday Social: Page 3			

NCRS (National Corvette Restorers society) Northwest Chapter Holiday
 Brunch at Budd Bay Cafe - Olympia, WA. Details at

https://nwncrs.org Non CMCS

12/12	CWC5 Board Meeting - Family Pancake House Page 6	board
12/14	General Meeting & Christmas Party. Everett Golf & Country	
	Club. Page 14	Meeting
12/15	Woodinville Lighted Parade	(Parade)

May 2020

5/22-25 Big Sky 2020. Hyalite Corvette Club • Bozeman, MT. CMCS coordinator needed. Non CMCS

August 2020

8/20-24 NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society) NW Chapter hosts a Regional Judging Meet at the Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Oregon.

Non CMCS

8/28-30 2020 Sea to Sky - Wheel & Rails. All Corvette Weekend Event in Squamish, BC. by the **British Columbia Corvette Club.**https://www.bccorvetteclub.ca/squamish-2020 Non CMCS

Current Member-Only Special at Evergreen Chevrolet

Current CMCS Members-Only Special (at the time of printing) is a new **2019 Chevrolet Corvette Grand Sport Coupe**.

Please feel free to contact Kyle Renfro (360) 621-8166, or Tony Rehn, Sr. (425) 766-7777 at the dealership if you have any questions regarding current and upcoming inventory, including the C8s.



Funny Foto (Retro)

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