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### 2016 LSL Pancake Breakfast by Don Patnoe

Lacey Sunrise Lions held their annual pancake breakfast fundraiser on March 19. This year the venue was changed due to construction at the North Thurston High School for years, the event has been held in the high school cafeteria, but this year it was at the Lacey Senior Center on Pacific Highway. This presented a few issues but none that a crafty bunch of Lions led by the fearless Debbie, could not overcome. The space is smaller so there were concerns about that and at times the line was a bit long for service, but that also means there were plenty of people showing up to support the club. Another issue arose when the electrical breakers began popping and several outlets and the oven ceased to function. Some detective work solved most of the issues and since the eggs were being cooked in the oven, moving them to the second grill outside solved that problem. A pesky fire alarm alert was finally silenced when a city employee came in to tackle the problem. He was successful in silencing the alarm, not finding the source. That is an issue for another day.



The Lions were again joined by Corvettes de Olympia with a record number of Corvettes, 26 total, and they arrived at 8:30 AM, hungry and ready to storm the serving line. They were issued registration numbers by two of the Lacey South Sound High School Leo Club members and arranged in parking formation near the entrance to the Senior Center. It certainly looked impressive to have so many shining Corvettes arranged where passing motorist could enjoy the view. I am sure it lured in a few people that stayed to enjoy the pancakes, eggs, sausages, biscuit, gravy and drinks. Everyone was encouraged to vote for their favorite Corvette and the Leo Club teens, Andrew and Trisha collected and oversaw that portion of the event.. Their help was extremely valuable. Andrew even subbed as event photographer for a while. His reasoning was that film in the digital camera was pretty cheap, it was ok to waste it.



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### **Heartbeat of Olympia**

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Corvettes de Olympia is a non-profit organization formed in 1972. Our purpose is to:

- 1. Develop friendship and pride among Corvette owners and drivers,
- 2. Encourage skillful, safe and sportsmanlike driving habits on the highways,
- 3. Improve relations between the community and Corvette people,
- Actively promote, sponsor, organize, and supervise sports car competition, outings, meetings and other Corvette or sports car activities.

Annual membership dues are Family—\$55.00, Single—\$27.50. Monthly meetings are normally held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at Hawk's Prairie Restaurant. Meetings are open to any and all Corvette enthusiasts.

Visit us on the web at: www.corvettesdeolympia.org

## **Next Meeting**

May 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello CdeO Crew.

Our season is off and running, and I would like to thank Denny, Josette and their new highly trained route assistant Cynthia. We had a great time on our Easter run, and there was no stress except for trying to decide what to eat at the end of the tour.

Thank you to everyone who filled out the survey. We gained valuable information as to what is being done right and what we need to improve. Stay tuned for a summary of the results at the next meeting.

Also, I would like to encourage each member to try and regularly take a look at our website. Wendy, Duncan and our historians work hard to keep it up to date. Check out all the fabulous photos that are shared from our adventures, and the calendar. Duncan has added numerous events that may interest you separate from our club sanctioned events. We're always looking for someone to take the lead on those type events, and. I think it's nice to go as a club if possible.

With that being said, Don has secured us a spot for a LeMay cruise-in on the 14th, - yes the day after our general membership meeting. Duncan has worked his magic and received some excellent membership donations from LeMay for Vette Fest and I would like to return the favor and show our support for the museum.

As a reminder we will have our Vette Fest meeting after our membership meeting

Save the Wave,

Arthur

# Past Presidents Corvettes de Olympi

1972 Rich Lockhart

1973 Larry Johnson

1974 Rich Lockhart

1975 Terry Halliday

1976 Ralph Adams

1977 Bill Pollard

1978 Sandy Lockhart

1979 Mike Halliday

1980 Ralph Adams

1981 Larry Johnson

1982 Mike Halliday

1983 Karen Johnson

1984 Jerry Crabill

1985 Tom Kuchman

1986 Larry Johnson

1987 Duncan Johnson

1988 Skip Burch

1989 Jim Turcotte

1990 Karen Johnson

1992 Tom Kuchman

1991 Ron Zielin

1993 Roy Scioli

1994 Tom Hanson

1995 Tom Kuchman

1996 Peggy Rogers

1997 Peggy Rogers

1998 Karen Johnson

1999 Randy Harris

2000 Randy Harris

2001 Jim Turcotte

2002 Peggy Rogers

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2015 Anne Wax

2016 Arthur Green

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### 2016 LSL Pancake Breakfast by Don Patnoe cont.

Breakfast began at 7 AM with the Lions arriving about 6 AM to prepare the food. The crowd began to arrive shortly thereafter and at times there were not a lot of extra places to sit. It is pretty remarkable how the club comes together for an event like this but the real asset it Lion Debbie who every year and at every event involving food, takes control and organizes, coordinates, problem solves, and generally works her tail off to insure the success. Lacey Sunrise is lucky to have her.

There were 288 people who joined us for breakfast and the club netted about \$2400.

A huge thank you to all the Lacey Sunrise Lions and SS HS Leos, who worked so hard. But an even bigger thanks to the Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troops who took care of bussing tables and delivering coffee to patrons. The event would not have been successful without everyone's support. And another thank you to Corvette de Olympia for their continued support. They are a real attraction.

Following the breakfast, with Denny and Josette in the lead, the Corvettes headed out for a tour de force around the neighborhood. Only a couple of showers drifted by but that didn't put a damper on an otherwise great morning! It takes more than a few drops of rain to kill a Corvette drive. They were "Born to Run"







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### **General Membership Meeting**

Hawks Prairie Inn Mar 10, 2016 7:00-8:00

### Call To Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Anne Wax)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

### Treasurer's Report (Maggie Connors)

Maggie presented the report. Will can provide copies of this month's report to individuals if requested. Was approved as presented.

### **Committee Reports**

### Sponsorship Update (Not Available)

No news.

### Membership Update (Anne Wax)

Membership is up to date.

### Sunshine Chair (Charmaine)

Velma is ill – not lung cancer, but they are figuring out. Also Doug's diabetes is causing issues, so both are stuck at home. Come go visit! Also, they are selling their ZR1 and '88. Will has personal experience driving the ZR1, and said it is great ride!!

### Webmaster (Not Available)

No news.

### Historian Update (Marilyn Trogden)

Christy would be interested in joining Historian!

### Scholarship Fund (Not Available)

No news.

### **NWACC (Arthur Green)**

For autocross, the training class is on May 14th, and May 15<sup>th</sup> is the first autocross. Come join us!

Cynthia with be taking on the NWACC banquet coordination, come see her if you'd like to help.

### National Corvette Museum (George Schwartz)

No news.

### Vettefest (Arthur Green)

No news.

### **Events and Activities (Josette Miller)**

### Where we have been:

11th Annual Tacoma Corvette Club Open House (Feb 13): This was a great chance to introduce our Vettefest event – lots of club members are going. There were 71 Corvettes, and 12-21 people came just to look, 10 of us came. Food was fabulous! Lots of cool corvettes.

### Where we are going:

**St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ocean Shores (March 17):** This year, the parade will be held in the evening on St. Patrick's Day. The parade starts at 6pm. The regular parade goers won't make it since it's a work night, but feel free to do -- no need to register.

Lion's Club Breakfast (March 19): Held at the Lacey Senior Center (more details to follow), and we will do a real tour after the breakfast. This is a fun annual event, fun corvettes and friends. Come for all you can eat Eggs, bacon, biscuits and gravy, and stay for socializing with cool people and People's Choice awards! See website for staging location – and Josette will send out an email. Breakfast goes to 11am, and then a drive.

**All Morning Drive (March 27th):** by a show of interest, decided to do a short fun drive on Easter Sunday. Will have Mexican for lunch

**Lakefair Parade picnic** – Fred and Charmaine will host this year! Thanks Fred! ⑤

### **Old or New Business**

- Thanks to Wendy and Duncan Event Calendar is up to date and looking good!
- In August, there's a Lacey Police open house with demonstrations, music, and food -- bring your car! There will be a Bouncy house, good for kids, tours. By the way -- if we have a champion to lead this event, we will make it an official Club event!
- Arthur handed out a survey to members. If you didn't receive one, or would like to add more comments, please contact anyone on the Executive board.

### Raffle (Will Trogden)

Tonight Arthur provided a clay kit and interior detailer, and Carolyn brought some cool car supplies with a great carrier.

And the Winners Are:

- Rob and Hillary won the Nice car bag with lots of great car products
- Alice (along with Don and Maggie) won the Griot's Clay Kit and an interior detailing
- Arthur won \$42 from the 50/50, and will bring the next prize!

Meeting Adjourned

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# 2016 Easter Morning Drive by Cynthia Patnoe

Easter morning, 11 Corvettes, nine of them red, showed up at QFC for a beautiful and windy backroads tour of the Bald Hills Southeast of Yelm. Arthur and Carla had a light come on on their car right after take-off from home with their Torch Red Z06 and had to turn around or we would have had 10 red Corvettes on the ride. They were able to meet us in time with Carla's Bedazzled Blue C5. Boy does THAT one sparkle!!

After taking Steadman Road onto Whitman Road, we passed through a Sculpture Park that we may want to stop at on another drive. We pulled in to Dillan's Corner at 153<sup>rd</sup> and Vail Road. The Yelm locals give directions using that corner by telling folks to turn left at the Big Fish sign to get to Lake Lawrence. The good news is we had plenty of room to park. Carla made sure we were all lined up 'dress right dress' for the great photo opportunities. The bad news is that we got there too early to buy their chicken on a stick! Fortunately, Josette found out that Puerto Vallarta was waiting for us!





We took off going East down 153<sup>rd</sup> and wound our way through some beautiful rolling hills and lush green scenery. We made it over and down Bald Hills Road without hearing a chirp from the radar detector that obviously had our back! Thanks Denny and Arthur – we definitely took advantage of this with our flight of 11 Vettes!



We stopped for the Sunday buffet at Peurto Vallarta to enjoy quite a feast! After eating and socializing, we parted ways to join our families for the rest of our Easter Day activities. Thanks to everyone for making this such an enjoyable short tour adventure!!





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# Corvettes de Olympia and Titus Will



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# Capital City Vette Fest X//

Sunday, August 28, 2016

All Corvette Car Show!



- NWACC Show 'n' Shine
- Multiple "Best" Awards
- Lunch Courtesy of Titus Will, our Sponsor
- Benefits Automotive Scholarships at South Puget Sound Community College

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For more information contact us at VetteFest@CorvettesdeOlympia.org or visit www.CorvettesdeOlympia.org

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# Why did Chevrolet come out with the Corvette Grand Sport?

The GS bridges the gap between the base C6 and ZO6. The GS looks similar to the ZO6 with the 1/4 panels and a few other cosmetics but comes with an available automatic trans and targa & convertible roof options. The ZO6 only comes manual and hard top. Both share similar suspension pieces but obviously the huge difference is the LS7 in the ZO6 and the LS3 in the GS.

Cruise-Ins: Donated by Duncan Jonhson

At the LeMay Museum in Tacoma:

Every second Thursday we will feature classic cars on the plaza, April through October, rain or shine!

### 2016 Cruise-In Dates:

- May 12<sup>th</sup>
- June 9<sup>th</sup>
- July 14<sup>th</sup>
- Aug. 11
- Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>
- Oct. 13th

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### **Upcoming Events**

April

Wed 13th CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.\*

Sun 17th Sunday Drive to Allyn; Lunch at Leonard K's Boat House Restaurant\*
Sat 23rd 35th Annual Tulip Gimmick Rallye Sponsored by MG Car Club NW Centre

May

Sun 1st A Drive on Back Roads to the Westport Winery for Lunch\*
Wed 11th CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.\*

Sun 21st NWACC Novice Autocross Training

Sun 22nd NWACC Autocross #1 at Sanderson Field in Shelton

Sun 22nd SW Washington Day Tour to Tokeland, WA\*

June

Fri-Sat 3rd-4th
Sun 5th
Wed 8th

Corvettes of the Columbia Hosted by 3 Rivers Corvette Club
Front-side of Mt. St. Helen's Day Tour; Lunch at the Fire Mtn. Grill\*
CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.\*

Fri-Sun, 10th-12th Yakima Valley Vettes "Vette-A-Bration"
Sat 11th Ocean Shores Flag Day Parade and Lunch\*

Sun 12th NWACC Autocross #2 at the Sanderson Field in Shelton

Thurs 23rd Yelm Prairie Days Parade\*
Sun 26th Mt. Rainier Day Tour\*

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Club sanctioned events that count for membership qualifications. For more meeting places, times and additional events, visit the CdeO Event Calendar at <a href="http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org">http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org</a>