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2016 VetteFest



At Titus Will Chevrolet in Olympia on 23 Aug 2016, we were all reminded on what strong personalities Corvettes really do have. We had corvettes of all walks of life get together on this day for a rumblin party in the sun for them and their owners, not to mention all the walk-ins they attracted.



The filled the parking lot as well as indoors for display, music and fun eating.

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2016 VetteFest Party at Titus Will Chevrolet cont.

They had a major raffle going with great prizes and lots of good eats!!!



But of course, like every party there is competition of the strongest. They had beautiful trophies and lots of winners.



But at the end of the day...our all-American cars were at rest with a peace of mind that they made their owners very happy.



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,
4. 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 2nd 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

Nov 9th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Again CdeO Crew,

It's been a quiet month, but that doesn't mean there isn't anything happening behind the scene, we have the NWACC Banquet on 12 November that we are the sponsors for. There is a small army of members working their magic to make this happen, I encourage you to come out and enjoy a good time with our sisters and brothers from the other NWACC clubs.

CdeO will have some award winners and it would be nice to see others come out and support them.

Next order of business for us is our annual Christmas/Holiday party, we'll have the usual buffet dinner and a lot of Dancing. Carla will be leading the dancers for the night so come on out and show us your moves.

We're trying to get a jump on ideas for touring next year so I would ask that each member start thinking about where you'd like to go and if you are interested in helping set up a tour. If so, Please let me know and we'll get ball rolling.

Save the Wave,

Arthur

Past Presidents

Corvettes de Olympia

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 Scioi
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
2003	Peggy Rogers
2004	Vince Puntenev
2005	Vince Puntenev
2006	Vince Puntenev
2007	Brian Cousineau
2008	Peggy Rogers
2009	Meagan Renick
2010	Meagan Renick
2011	Meagan Renick
2012	Meagan Renick
2013	Anne Wax
2014	Anne Wax
2015	Anne Wax
2016	Arthur Green

General Membership Meeting

Hawks Prairie Inn
September 2016 7:00-8:00

Call to Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Arthur Green)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. Last month's newsletter did not go out, so the meeting minutes have not been seen yet. We will request approval next month.

Treasurer's Report (Arthur for Maggie)

Arthur presented the report on Maggie's behalf. Maggie can provide copies of this month's report to individuals if requested.

Committee Reports

Sponsorship Update (Arthur for Peggy Rogers)

Everyone has renewed – we are good to go!

Membership Update (Anne)

We have a new Membership Roster, and the Membership information on Club Express has been updated. Anne invited volunteers to join her in the Membership committee. It involves greeting new people that join our events and mentoring new members.

Sunshine Chair (Tom Oenning for Donna Oenning).

No News.

Webmaster (Wendy Forcier)

No News.

Historian Update (Carla and Karen)

Carla and Karen took some great pictures at

Vettefest – check them out on the event

pages! **Scholarship Fund (Mark)**

No News.

NWACC (Arthur)

The NWACC banquet is coming, and we are hosting it this year! The venue is paid for, and now working on getting prizes. The Marque Club scheduled their Thanksgiving event accidentally on the same day as the banquet, so it will be a smaller crowd than last year.

Once again, we are aiming for the Club Participation Award for the year!

Events and Activities: (Josette Miller)

Where We've Been:

Vette fest 2016: Lots of fun, very mellow event. We had 52 cars this year, with lots of C1 and C2 Vettes. Beautiful cars, very challenging to judge. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped – it really made it fun!

Some highlights:

- Many folks reported that they look forward to our show because the people are friendly and the event is fun.
- We even had Ellen from Wenatchee come down!
- Thanks to the Oennings, this year we had Judge timers to enforce the 5-minute rule.
- Billy won Debbie Simmonetti's beautiful Seahawks quilt.
- Wendy Forcier saved John Zink's car when it was streaked with paint from road work!
- We had better goodie bags that the larger Westport car show.

Beautiful awards – Will did a great job!

Next year, we plan to host Vettefest on August 25th, so save the date.

Corvettes of Gray's Harbor Vettes at the Marina: We had 6 Vettes show up, lots of beautiful cars, lots of variety. We showed well - Frank won first place for his category, and Don R's wife won \$250 on the 50/50. It was a great time, including a nice halibut lunch, AND.... the group did Blue Slough road, with new guard rails. Bonus: No seagull attacks!!

NWACC Autocross #5 – last one of the season. Jim R and Paul joined. Paul says – don't be intimidated lots of fun, there are wide variety of cars. Note: Convertibles can run without the roll bar.

Miss Thurston County – Randy carried Miss Thurston County in Lakefair, and was asked to carry her in the Rainier Parade too! P.S. She was also Poultry Person of the Year.

Rod Run To the End of the World – Meghan goes every year. It is in Ocean Park - there's a cruise, a great car show, slow drags, a fair, lots of fun stuff. Check it out!

General Membership Meeting cont.**Where We Are Going*****We are driving 3 high schools for Homecoming:***

- Timberline
- North Thurston
- Rainier High School

Oregon Tail of the Dragon – Mark will be leading this tour on Saturday September 25th. It will be a day tour, there will be improved potty stops. You will have a big grin. Need to give them a rough count of folks who have signed up, please sign up if you are interested. You can register online too!

Mystery Tour – Duncan and Dee will lead us on October 2nd. It is called the Last Tango at the Meteor Crater, and will be 60-65 miles of twisty turny roads that we have never taken before. We will be leaving from the Safeway in Yelm. There will be a pasta and pizza bar at an Italian Restaurant, and will be near a Main Street where there will be fun shopping. If interested, sign up on the website. Should be fun!!!

Christmas Wrapping – we will do this again for the holidays. Please see Don P. if you'd like to participate.

End of Year Celebration – This year's party will be held on December 3rd at the Talon Grill, and will be \$35 per person. Save the date!

Last Saturday in April – We will have multi-club caravan up to the Wenatchee show. Stay tuned!

Old and New Business

- Arthur handed out some awards that weren't available at Vettefest. Bob H. got his Third-place award, and then 2nd place when to Nick!
- Maggie is having to leave the Treasury after next year, so Don R offered to take the job next year.
- We donate school backpacks each year - what if we did something mid-year for school supplies as well? The kids run through the supplies, and also, the supplies are very cheap mid-year. We will keep it informal, if you find stuff then contact Carla or Arthur. Also, Dereck had offered to provide backpacks for a steep discount.
- Paul had a great banner cling-on - Arthur will show it next month to see if the club is interested in purchasing some.

Raffle (Will Trogden)

Passed on the raffle today.

Meeting Adjourned

Call to Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Arthur Green)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. Minutes for August and September were approved with one correction: Next year's Vettefest will be held on Sunday, **August 27th 2017.**

Treasurer's Report (Maggie)

We just about broke even for Vettefest, which was our plan so we could spend down extra funds. Maggie can provide copies of this month's report to individuals if requested.

Committee Reports**Sponsorship Update (Arthur for Peggy Rogers)**

Everyone has renewed – we are good to go!

Membership Update (Anne)

Ken was voted in – welcome! Scott North and his wife joined us from all the way out in Rochester. Billy and Bobby Brown also joined us!

Sunshine Chair (Arthur for Donna O.).

Jim Robinson had a medical emergency and is now out of the hospital. Dereck is recovering from a car accident – he was hit by a driver texting while driving at 60 mph. Dereck was able to attend this meeting, he's recovering well.

Webmaster (Wendy Forcier)

No News.

Historian Update (Carla and Karen)

No News.

Scholarship Fund (Mark)

No News. Okey Dokey for now, will be going for funds later.

NWACC (Arthur)

See details in What's Coming of the NWACC banquet. **Events and Activities (Josette Miller)**

Where we've been:

We drove the Homecoming Court for 2 high schools:

- **Timberline:** Many teenagers had a chance to sit in the driver's seat – and found more girls than boys ready to rev the engines!
- **North Thurston:** We've driven for North Thurston for 20 years! This year, we drove a very excited group of teenagers. ☺

Oregon Tail of the Dragon – Mark led this tour on Saturday September 25th. Gorgeous day, lots of pictures on the website. It was full of fun, challenging roads that really tested our performance drivers. One interesting finding – there are no pictures of the actual tail of the dragon - because everyone was holding on!!! ☺

Mystery Tour – Duncan and Dee hosted this tour on October 2nd. It was a mystery tour with a mini-road rally. Drivers answered questions along the way. The drive was great, with new twisty roads that we haven't done before. They toured Lower and Upper Burnett, one lap of Kapowsin, end run of Bonnie Lake, and finished in Sumner – with Aversano's Italian food for lunch. Susan R. won the rally, Ken won 2nd place, and the Simonetti's were third.

Where we're going:

Rainier High School Homecoming on October 14th. This is first for us!

Pumpkin Patch Gala: Hosted by Crossroads Church on October 22nd, they have asked if we would be willing to park at the gala from 10am to 1pm. During the meeting, 5 cars volunteered. If you'd like to join, then plan to meet at Safeway in Yelm at 9:50am and we will drive over together. There will be tents in case rain happens. ☺

NWACC Banquet: We are hosting this event on November 12th at La Quinta, and the bar will be open after hours by popular demand from the NWACC members. There will be games and good food! We received \$1,050 for buying raffle gifts. Arthur has been tasked with adding a Man's Touch to the raffle choices so there is more car stuff. ☺ There are 14 registered so far. You can register online, register by mail, or contact Cynthia/Betsy.

Holiday Parade: We will meet downtown on Nov 27th with our cars blinged out. One of us will carry Quinn (Miss Thurston County) as well!

Holiday Party: This year's end of year celebration will be on December 3rd at the Talon Grill, starting at 6pm. This year's party will include social time, outstanding food, and the Chuck Byre Member of the Year award. As in year's past, we'll have a fun surprise in store, and brighten the holidays by bringing gifts for Toys for Tots to put under the tree.

Gift Wrapping – We'll be donating gift wrapping services on December 14th and 15th. To participate, sign up in the book, or talk to Don P.

Old and New Business

- There are 2016 Vettefest t-shirts available for purchase - Large, Small and Medium. Price is discounted to \$20.

Raffle (Billy Smith)

Tom Oenning offered the prizes for today, and Dereck provided \$50 gift card to get embroidery for free.

- Debbie Simonetti won the Corvette coffee cup.
- Carla won the Leatherman!
- Ken – won two of the T-shirts!
- The 50/50 was won by Marilyn, who will be providing next

month's raffle prizes.

Cross Roads Ministry Church Pumpkin Patch 2016 Event

Gratefully, six members of Corvette de Olympia attended the Crossroads Pumpkin Patch event in Yelm. We had beautiful weather for the event as evidenced by the sun shine in some of these pictures. We met at Safeway in Yelm and drove to Bald Hills Rd. near Four Corners in Yelm. Hal Shepherd was so thankful we came!!! The church offered us a free wagon ride and picture taking. We all gladly took them up on their offer. We even made the Banner for the church newsletter explaining the event.



2016 Holiday Gift Wrapping

**Wensday Dec. 14th
and
Thursday Dec. 15th**

**11:00am to 8:00pm
Barns and Noble in Olympia, WA**

Proceeds go to the Scholarship fund plus it is a new member enlistment opportunity!!



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2016 CHUCK BYRE AWARD

By Anne

I would like to remind everyone that our club has an annual Chuck Byre Outstanding Member award, which serves to acknowledge the person who most contributed to the club's experience for the year.

Chuck was one of the highly respected early members of Corvettes de Olympia. Unfortunately, Chuck was killed in an industrial accident. In his honor, the club established this annual award in his name.

We choose the recipient of this award by a secret vote of the membership and we announce the recipient at the annual year-end party.

I encourage each of you in the club to vote at either the November meeting or the End of Year Celebration for the club member who exemplifies Chuck's qualities of enthusiasm, hard work, dedication to bettering the club, and involvement in activities.

The winner will receive a traveling plaque with their name inscribed along with the prior honorees.



U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program

We at CdeO Olympia enjoy the pleasure we get when we see all the donations we have contributed for the Tots at our Year End Holiday Banquet each year. It's just a wonderful feeling to see the presents under the tree and knowing more children will have a nice Christmas this chilling season. We thank the Marine Corps League 482 for giving us this opportunity to fill our hearts with warmth in making the children happy.

MISSION:

The mission of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community in which the campaign is conducted.

GOAL:

The primary goal of Toys for Tots is to deliver, through a new toy at Christmas, a message of hope to less fortunate youngsters that will assist them in becoming responsible, productive, patriotic citizens.

OBJECTIVES:

The objectives of Toys for Tots are to help less fortunate children throughout the United States experience the joy of Christmas; to play an active role in the development of one of our nation's most valuable resources – our children; to unite all members of local communities in a common cause for three months each year during the annual toy collection and distribution campaign; and to contribute to better communities in the future.

<http://olympia-wa.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/default.asp>



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Upcoming Events

Nov.

Wen 9th

Sat. 12th

Sun 27th

CdeO Meeting Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant

NWACC Awards End of Year Banquet

Downtown Olympia Holiday Parade

Dec.

Sat. 3rd

Wen 14th

Thur 15th

CdeO End of Year Holiday Party

CdeO Gift Wrapping at Barnes & Noble (Scholarship fund raising event)

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