



CORVETTE COURIER

The Official GOCC Newsletter

MAY 2011

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well...we had a taste of spring Saturday April 23rd...its amazing how one nice day raises the spirit. Hope you had a chance to get your corvette out on the road. Today as I write this message the temperatures are dropping and it's raining again... Spring is coming isn't it? The good news is that we have a number of **road events** coming up thanks to some volunteers stepping forward. Starting May 1st we have seven cars heading to Olympia to participate in the Gimmick Rally sponsored by Corvettes de Olympia. The caravan to Olympia is lead by me and Cassandra. Mike and Margie Shurts are leading a Highway 101 cruise in July ending with a BBQ at Lake Kokanee near Lake Cushman. Bob Weaver has volunteered to organize the "Thunder in the Mountains" in August; the two night trip will be to Whistler, BC. Cassandra and I will lead a cruise the first weekend in October around the "North Highland Loop" in north central Washington...we should see some very nice fall colors. A number of Parades organized by Larry Ficca will start May 14th with the Irrigation Festival Parade in Sequim followed by the Armed Forces Parade and Viking Day Parade May 21st.

Tuesday April 26 we have an event planning meeting at the Shipley's...possibly additional events will come out of that meeting. At our April meeting I proposed that GOCC plan an annual NWACC co-sponsored event inviting all Northwest Corvette Clubs. We had four volunteers step forward to make up a committee to investigate potential events. Mike Shurts is acting chair for the committee which also includes Ken Lykken, Rick Courson and Bill Shipley.

Let's all think "SUN" I understand that mass thoughts have an effect. See you at the May meeting.

Chuck Cooley – GOCC President
Savin' the Wave and the Mother Road!

GOCC PARADES IN MAY 2011

May 14th – Sequim Irrigation Festival



May 21st – Armed Forces Day Parade



May 21st – Viking Day Fest



Sign up at the May General Meeting or Contact Larry Ficca (360-697-5904).

Further information will be available at the next meeting.

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The Glass Odyssey Corvette Club (GOCC) is a non profit organization, incorporated under the statutes of the state of Washington in March of 1972.

The GOCC meets at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of each month. Members, guests and fellow Corvette enthusiasts are welcome.

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GOCC MONTHLY MEETING : April 2011

Donations: Bill & Patti Stoner-Mag Light
Ida & Larry Ficca-Trips Book
Rick & Charmaine Courson-car wash & wax
Sue & Ken Lykken-Bag of Easter candy

The meeting was called to order at 7:pm
1st on order: Approval of March meeting minutes.
2nd on Order: Mark & Cathy Schaffer won the newsletter membership number prize.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT: Doug Carpenter
Prospective members-Dan McLearon with a 99, & 85 Corvette.
Howard Malafa with 2011, 70, & 65 Corvettes.

TREASURES REPORT- Sally Kane- There is \$\$3,236.86 in the funds. Annual Membership Dues are due of \$48.

COMMITTEE REPORTS- Corrections- it was Val Barns, instead of Becky Evans, that donated the Corvette towels.

EVENTS COORDINATOR: Bill Stoner-PLEASE remember to sign up for Events.
Jacket & game night Fri. 4/8
April 16- Wine & cheese day.
April 20- Exec Board meeting
April 23- Progressive Dinner (tentative)
April 26- 6 mos. Events planning meeting.
April 30-Hwy Cleanup
May 1- Poker Rally
May5- Dinner @ Hales before meeting.
May 13-Game Night-Cancelled
June 11-Game night at Sherlene's
June 16 Gocc Golf Tournament at Gold Mountain
June25th Sand Castle Sculpting/Chain saw days-must make reservations immediately. See about a caravan.

SNACKS; Thanks so much for refreshments Cassandra-Michelle, Rich-Barbara, Marge Susie-We are grateful for anyone bringing them, any volunteers are appreciated!

OLD BUSINESS; The Annual Banquet introduced new officers. Margie Shurts won the Presidents award., The first Brad Johansen Award –went to Dave Ellingson. Congratulations to both!

The Survivors Cruise was very wet, but outstanding. The Museum Cruise to the Calif. Coast is 1/2 full-5days-300 Mi.

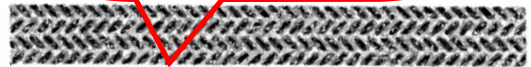
Wow Weekend is August to Levenworth.

NEW BUSINESS; Ken _____, Mike _____, Bill _____, and Rick Courson all volunteered for the committee to consider what to do for an annual event.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charmaine Courson
Secretary.

"Rubber on the Road"



Chuck Cooley

2011 - 2012 DUES are DUE

Dues are \$ 48.00

It was voted on during the March meeting to increase due mostly to increased costs of our insurance we get through NWACC.





MAY 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 General Meeting 7pm	6	7
8 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	9	10 Executive Board	11	12	13	14 Sequim Irrigation Festival
15	16	17	19	20	21 Viking Fest/ Armed Forces Day	28
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MAY 2011 MEETINGS
and EVENTS

MAY PARADES

Pre-Meeting Dinner –May 5th

PLACE: Hale's Alehouse (inside Kitsap Mall)

TIME: 5 PM All Are Welcome to attend.



GENERAL MEETING - May 5th

PLACE: CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE STATION # 41

TIME: 7 PM

GOCC EXECUTIVE MEETING – May 10th

PLACE: Charmaine Courson's

TIME: 2 PM All Members Are Welcome to attend.

Sequim Irrigation Festival –May 14

Sequim Washington

Armed Forces Day Parade –May 21 (AM)

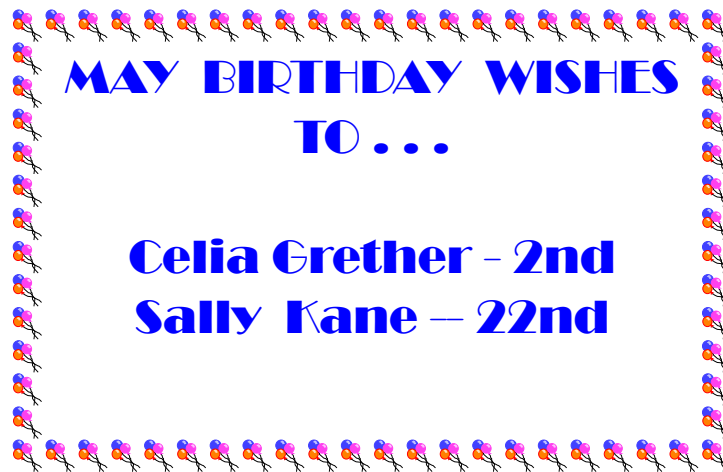
Downtown Bremerton

Viking Fest Parade –May 21 (PM)

Poulsbo

Larry Ficca will have a sign up sheet and more details at
our May general Meeting.

360-697-5804



The first 200 production C5 Corvettes were painted red, not the traditional white color for the first production run.

RICH CULLEY has a set of tires and wheels for a C-4 Corvette for sale. Contact Rich for further information. 360-697-2382

Check out our webpage:
www.kitsapvettes.org

If I missed your Birthday, please send me your
Month and Day only. Thank you. Harry Calhoun



WINDOW TIP-IN ADJUSTMENT

By Dave Tarver

This is what I found so far In making window adjustments for C5 corvettes, was surprised how many people have leaky windows besides me.

TOOLS REQUIRED:

#6 Inverted TORX Socket

Steps:

1. Position the window fully up.
2. Remove the large access plug from under the front of the door.
3. Loosen the window regulator front channel mounting nut,
4. Remove the reflector from the trim panel
5. Loosen the jack screw jam nut.
6. Adjust tip In with the jack screw.
 - Turn the jack screw clockwise to tip the window outward.
 - Turn the jack screw counterclockwise to tip the window inward,
 - One turn of the screw equals approximately 1 mm (0.04 in) change at the top of the window
7. Tighten the jack screw jam nut.
8. Lower the window,
9. Tighten the window regulator channel front mounting nut
10. Raise the window and check the alignment
11. install the access plug under the front of the door.
12. Install the reflector in the door trim panel.

Minor Window Height Adjustment

Use this procedure when window height is off less than 3 mm (0.12 In).

1. Open the door and remove the small front access plug and the rear access plug from the underside of the door
2. Adjust the front and the rear window regulator jack screws equally,
3. Close the door and check the window alignment
4. Open the door and install the access plugs.



Olympic Peninsula Wine and Cheese Tour - April 16th



Several times a year, GOCC sends many of its Sommeliers out to sample the Wines of local Vintners.

Ken & Sue Lykken, Bill and Patti Stoner, Byron and Sally Kane, Dave and Jenny Tarver and Rich Larvia toured several vintner on the Olympic Peninsula. Four Winds Winery, Sorensen Cellars, Finnriver Winery And Eaglemont Wine and Cider.

GOCC has many, many wine aficionado's. So, if you want to know a good wine, contact any of those who attended the Wine and Cheese tour

Then had a bite to eat at the Timber House in Quilicene.



Byron and Sally Kane
(Event Leaders and Photographers)

Check out our Facebook page. You will need to open a Facebook account if you don't have one. Once that is done, search for Glass Odyssey Corvette Club and ask to become a friend.



In the "I told you so" department:

From: **David Ellingson**

In the "I told you so" department, the environmentalists and lawmakers are going after your Corvette's air conditioning refrigerant again...

Owners of 1994 and newer cars and trucks, this is the time to fix your air conditioner. Not just because warm summer days are coming (hurray!). Fix your AC because you will soon officially be joining the owners of 1993 and older cars in having environmentally unfriendly and expensive refrigerant under your hoods.

In 1994, R-12 (branded as Freon) refrigerant was replaced with R-134a in new vehicle AC systems. R-12 was speculated to have contributed to holes in the earth's ozone layer. Production of new R-12 was banned in the United States and most other countries. The price of recycled R-12 skyrocketed. R-12 smuggling became as lucrative as drug smuggling. The last time you may have had an AC system charged, the R-12 cost \$60 a pound, where it used to be \$1 a pound.

Now R-134a is on the chopping block because it has a "global warming potential" (GWP) of 1400. Carbon dioxide is the baseline with a GWP of 1. This means R-134a is a greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming 1400 times as much as an equal amount of CO₂.

Regulations now specify that refrigerants have a GWP of less than 150. New vehicles in Europe are required to have low GWP refrigerant starting this year. In the US, low GWP refrigerant will be phased in from 2013 to 2016 depending on the vehicle manufacturer.

The preferred new refrigerant is something called R-1234yf. It has a GWP of only 4. It requires special lubricating oils and handling equipment. It is also slightly flammable. AC fittings will be changed to help prevent the mixing of R-1234yf with R-134a.

This time around the production of the old refrigerant, R-134a, will not be banned. But R-134a will be federally taxed so its price is forced up from about \$10 a pound to about \$40 a pound, the expected price of R-1234yf. The tax is intended to further discourage people from attempting to use R-134a in one of the upcoming new cars designed to use R-1234yf as well as trying to reduce the federal deficit (Politicians never think to stop spending!).

This means refrigerant for the typical two pound R-134a AC charge will cost \$80 instead of \$20. That lost \$60 might buy an AC O-ring set, an AC receiver drier or help pay for labor or other needed air conditioning parts. If your AC system needs work or frequent recharging, you will likely save some money by fixing it sooner rather than later. And you might want to stock up on a case or two of R-134A now before the tax kicks in.

If you would like to host or lead an event, contact



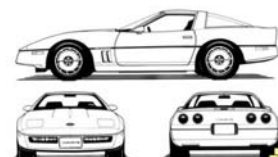
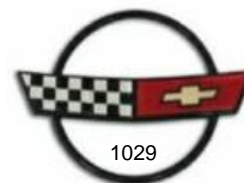
BILL STONER

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Or

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It took 55 hours to build the C5 Corvette, down from 70 hours for the previous C4 model.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

UPCOMING GOCC

MAY—See Parade Line up ! - Larry Ficca Coordinator

JUNE 4th - Vettes for Vets - Gary Powell

JUNE 16th - GOCC Golf Tournament - Roger Minter

JUNE 25, 26 - Sand Sculptors and Chainsaw Carvers

JUNE 30 - Annual National Corvette Day - Sally and Bryon Kane

JULY 9th Cruise - Mike and Margie Shurts

Other Events of Interest

JULY 21st - School Daze (Corvette Marque driving school)

7th Annual All Corvette Show & Burger Bash Triple XXX Drive Inn in Issaquah, WA on Sunday, August 14th, 2011

LOCAL CRUISE NIGHTS

Wednesday Nights .. Bucks A&W Port Orchard

(April—September)

1st Tuesday Evening .. Shari's on Wheaton Way

(April—September)

CONGRATULATIONS --

Cathy and Mark Shaffer found their lucky number in April's Newsletter. Will you find yours in this months??

GOCC ON PARADE 2011

June 25th—Fathoms Of Fun Parade

July 4th – Kingston 4th of July

July 23rd – Whaling Days



More details will be known the closer we get to parade time. For some of the parades we participate in, the organizers request convertibles, but all others are welcome to attend.



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Hello Ladies,

Once again it is the time to start planning our WOW. This year we are again going to Leavenworth, we have heard in the past that it would be nice to go when it is a bit warmer outside, so we have decided to go this year the weekend of August 26-28. I have contacted a representative from the Howard Johnson Hotel up there, it is right on Highway 2 in town, so close to everything, they have all of the amenities that we look for and it was the least expensive hotel I could find for that time of the year. I do have the rates, they are \$121.56 per night for 1-2 people, \$133.56 for 3 people, and 4 per room would be \$145.56, that does not include the tax. We will be having a planning meeting in the near future. I do have a few of the other ladies who have said they would help put this together so I will see when a good time is for them and then I will let everyone know when it will be. Also, when the representative lets me know all of the other details I will pass it on to all of you. I do know that the rooms will be on individual guarantees, which means you will have to call to book the room under your name, there is a 24 hour cancel policy and 14 days prior to the arrival if all of the rooms have not been reserved they will release them. I will make sure to tell her to put it all under GOCC WOW. There will be a sign up sheet at the May meeting, I will not be there, but I will make sure the sign up sheet is. We hope to have a great turnout this year. It is always a great time to get to know one another and just let loose and have some fun.

See you all soon.

Save the Wave

Margie Shurts



WOW attendees from last year !

Errors and Corrections from April Edition . .

On the front page, Patti Stone was incorrectly identified as Sharon Neuswanger.





Having children is hereditary.
If you parents didn't, chances
are you won't either



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