



CORVETTE COURIER

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Website: www.kitsapvettes.org

Message from the President

By Chuck Cooley

Wow!! Another year has passed, where did it go!! This will be my last message as GOCC president and as I reflect on the year there have been many positive events that have occurred. The positive things have come from many of those who stepped forward to lead and host events and volunteered to take on jobs such as Harry Calhoun taking over the newsletter and Cherlene Golitz for tackling the website. With many organizations there will always be people who are willing to step and do whatever it takes to run an event and make it successful. There are always those that are content to sit back and participate but not necessarily take part in the planning or getting the event staged and this is fine also. With any group of people, there is always a certain core of people willing to step up and "do their duty". My biggest disappointment has been the small number of cruises and the low turnout for the cruises that did occur. This did not meet my slogan expectation for "Rubber on the road". I want to thank Larry Ficca for coordinating parades; Gary Powell for bi-annually organizing "Vettes for Vets"; Bill Stoner for his perseverance with coordinating events; Dave Ellingson for his support as NWACC rep and National Museum ambassador; Doug

Upcoming Events and Meetings

By Bill Stoner, GOCC Events Coordinator

Mar 24th, Saturday 5:00 PM GOCC Annual Banquet at Oxford Suites, Silverdale.

Mar 25th, Sunday 9:00 AM Survivor's Cruise from Oxford Suites. Have a full tank of gas for 120 mile cruise.

Apr 5th, Thursday 5:00 PM Pre-meeting Dinner at Hale's Alehouse, Silverdale

Apr 5th, Thursday 7:00 PM GOCC Monthly Meeting Central Kitsap Fire Station #41

Apr 10th, Tuesday 2:00 PM Monthly

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Carpenter for Highway cleanup; Michele Roberts for graciously taking over the newsletter, and those who lead committees, sponsored game nights, planned cruises, hosted, Thanksgiving and Christmas potlucks, progressive dinners and other fun events.. Special thanks for the support from my fellow board members: Bill Shipley (past president), Doug Carpenter (Vice President), Charmaine Courson (Secretary), and Sally Kane (Treasurer). Very special thanks to my wife Cassandra for coordinating refreshments, for picking up the firehouse key for every meeting and scheduling our monthly meetings. She was always the first one at the firehouse to setup and the last one to leave to lockup. *Please plan to attend the March 24th annual banquet to welcome the new officers. A separate email has been sent to each of you with a ballot to fill out and return. The ballot is for new officers and nominations for the Brad Johanson Most Inspirational Award. Also we need your suggestions for our charities for this year. Hope to see you at the March 1st meeting.*

Chuck



Executive Board Meeting

Apr 14th, Saturday 5:00 PM Game Night (Need a Host)

Apr 20-22nd, Friday - Sunday Columbia River Water Falls (Need a Host)

Apr 28th, Saturday Progressive Dinner POC

Please see *Upcoming Events* on page 4

The Glass Odyssey Corvette Club (GOCC) is a non-profit organization, incorporated under the statutes of the state of Washington in March 1972. The GOCC meets at 7PM on the 1st Thursday of each month. Members, Guests, and fellow Corvette enthusiasts are welcome!

Ambassador's Address

By Dave Ellingson

Saturday, April 28, 2012 at 4pm CT you could be the proud owner of a 2012 Torch Red Corvette Convertible! The Corvette has cashmere leather interior with crossed flag embroidery on the headrests, automatic transmission with 6-speed paddle shift, dual mode performance exhaust, beige convertible top, chrome aluminum wheels, battery protection package and 3LT package with navigation. The winner will also receive the popular R8C Museum Delivery. Tickets are only \$10 each, and an unlimited number of tickets are to be sold. Check with me regarding availability of tickets I have on hand.

If you didn't make the Puyallup Corvette and High

Member Key Information

By Michele Roberts

Interested in becoming a member? Here's the requirements: 1) Be a Corvette owner, S/O, Spouse or have a purchase agreement. 2) Have a valid license. 3) Have insurance. 4) Attend 4 club activities, meetings or events. 5) Be Voted in and pay dues. 6) Enjoy the company and the events!

Membership application is available on our website at: <http://kitsapvettes.org/member-application9-2011.pdf> Membership Pamphlet is available at: <http://kitsapvettes.org/prospective-members-pamphlet-2011-2012.pdf>

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR MONTHLY MEETING

Held the First THURSDAY of EACH MONTH at
7PM at:

Central Kitsap Fire Station
41- Meadowdale
7600 Old Military Road NE
Bremerton, WA 98311



Performance Event. Here are a couple of pictures:



GOCC Club Shirts: Our Sponsor "Team Sports" has our Glass Odyssey Corvette Logo ready for your needs. Polo shirts with our club insignia embroidered on them are available in Navy Blue, Forest Green or Burgundy. Other colors can be ordered to match the color of your car. Your name can be added for additional cost. Other items are also available such as Jackets, Sweatshirts, Hats, Tote bags, Coolers, etc. Contact Deedee to get your orders placed.

Please see Member Key Information on page 5

REMINDER: 2012 dues are due April 1st Board recommended keeping it at \$48.00 per member UNIT.

GOCC is Celebrating it's 40th Year – 1972 to 2012!

GOCC is a Member of NWACC <http://www.nwacconline.com/>

Meetings Minutes

By Charmaine Courson – Meeting February 2nd

The meeting was called to order at 7PM. Robert Weaver was not present to report that his #1151 was in the February newsletter. 1st on order, Approval of minutes for January were approved as written.

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Chuck Cooley
Read the thank you letter from Harry Calhoun to the club on donations received. Thanks to Michael Ellingson for helping with the GOCC Website.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Pam Carpenter filled in for Doug Carpenter. Prospective Members included Dennis Pollard (this was his 3rd meeting) and Lance Otis (this was his 2nd meeting). New prospective member Michael Dosa, with a 2007 Red Coupe.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sally Kane reported the accounts are in good order. Membership dues to be paid for this year; \$48. Next big event is the banquet, reminder that the cost is \$60 a couple.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

~ Ambassador: Dave report that the Feb 2nd National Corvette Club Raffle resulted in no GOCC

winners. The good news is that he has tickets available for \$10 for the next Raffle held April 28th. Also, now through February 14th you can get a Family Membership to the Corvette Museum for the price of a single. Finally, he shared information on the NW Caravan in September (email him if interested), and the National Caravan in 2014 that is held every 5 years.

~NWACC: Dave reported the next board meeting is Feb 11th, noon, at the Puyallup Fairgrounds as part of the Corvette and High Performance meet. See minutes from previous board meeting at http://www.nwacconline.com/nov_5_2011.htm.

~Charity: Still accepting donations for the Battered Women's Shelter. Discussion on upcoming nominations for club charities for this coming year. More to come. Becky offer to do another Quilt this year for the Humane Society.

~ Sunshine: Margie reported that Candy is doing well after knee surgery. Dave Tarver was injured during a fall. Member requested an update on Carl Neuswanger, Chuck said he would give him a call.

~ Snacks: Cassandra thanked Gary, Chuck, Margie, Clarissa, Debbie & Paul for bringing goodies this month.

EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT: Bill Stoner reported the following:

Please see *Meeting Minutes* on page 4

OUR Sponsors & Web Links

If you are interested in sponsoring, please connect with our GOCC President or Treasurer.

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Upcoming Events and Meetings from page 1

DeeDee Ellingson.

May 3rd, Thursday 5:00 PM Pre-meeting
Dinner at Hale's Alehouse, Silverdale

May 3rd, Thursday 7:00 PM GOCC Monthly
Meeting Central Kitsap Fire Station #41

May 5th, Saturday 9:00 AM Highway
Cleanup, Grey Chevrolet, POC Doug C

May 8th, Tuesday 2:00 PM Monthly
Executive Board Meeting

May 12th, Saturday 9:00 AM Irrigation
Festival Parade, Sequim, POC Larry F

May 19th, Saturday 8:15 AM Armed Forces
Day Parade, Bremerton, POC Larry F

May 19th, Saturday 12:45 PM Viking Fest
Parade, Poulsbo, POC Larry F

Web links from page 3Sponsor Web Pages:

Grey Chevrolet <http://www.greychevrolet.com/>

Firestone

<http://www.firestonecompleteautocare.com/>

Team Sports "Equipment & Uniforms"

<http://www.pnwteamsports.com/> **NOTE: Team Sports New Address is at the Redwood Plaza at 1550 NE Riddell Road, Suite N, Bremerton, WA 98311**

Benchmark Automotive

<http://benchmarkautoandtire.com/>

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~ February: 11th - Valentine's Fond-Of-You at Becky & Drake's. This is not a game night event. 14th - Valentine's Day Dinner & Tucker's at Gold Mountain. Make your reservations soon.

~ March: 0th - 5PM Game Night at Larry & Ida's. 17th - 9AM Griot's Garage Tour in Tacoma POC Byron and Pat. 24th - 5PM GOCC Annual Banquet at Oxford Suites 25th - 9AM GOCC Survivor's Cruise

~ April: Need a game night host volunteer. Progressive dinner on the 20th Clarissa is coordinating.

~ Other: Covered bridges event coming the 20-23rd of May, Sally is the POC. See your email about an Open House event in Auburn coming soon.

OLD BUSINESS: Officer nominees include Rich for President, George for Vice President, Sally for Treasurer, and with DeeDee taking on Progressive Dinner coordination, Clarissa volunteered to take on the Secretary position. Banquet scheduled for the 24th. Clings for parading update included that we need only place the order since the club approved it last year.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on decals (30inch banner and 2inch circles) for the club. Cost is (\$8/2.36 respectively) if we order larger quantities. Grey Chevrolet will be presenting at our April meeting, we requested their sponsorship for the new year. WOW weekend tentatively scheduled for 21-23 September.

Pill Drawing: Frank and Denise Raught won \$139.50.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Tables donations made as follows: Margie six frigates book, Chuck cable ties and bungee cords, Bill & Patty back and shoulder wrap and candy, Bill & Kay t-shirt, Ken & Suzie windshield cleaner and Rich & Barb tools.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:27PM. Respectfully submitted by Michele Roberts on behalf of Charmaine Courson.

MEMBER VETTE OF THE MONTH

Rich & Barb's!



PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR MONTHLY MEETING - HELD THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7PM AT: Central Kitsap Fire Station, 41- Meadowdale, 7600 Old Military Road NE, Bremerton, WA 98311

Member Key Information from page 2

Club Meeting Name Tags: If you need a member badge submit a high resolution picture of your corvette, the year and color to Don A.

Tour Radio's: If you would like to purchase your own person radio they are available for purchase at www.TechWholesale.com. Our radios are Motorola Model RDU2080d. (Motorola Model XU2600 radios will also work but are older models.) The club also owns some for check-out during events. Members can access the Radio guide at <http://kitsapvettes.org/members-only/radio-user-guide.pdf>. GOCC Radio point of contact is Larry F.

Newsletter Hidden Number: Each newsletter contains the membership number of one GOCC active member. It is usually buried in a picture,

article or advertisement, but is rarely out in the open. If the hidden number is your membership number, you are eligible for a prize but you must notify one of the elected officers before the monthly membership meeting begins to claim your prize.

Copies of our current By-Laws and Membership Rosters along with Maps to event locations are available in the password protected Members area of our website. If you can't remember how to access the members area – contact one of the elected officers.

GM-Chevrolet Corvette Trivia:
On October 7, 1953 Vin #51 was delivered to John Wayne, the famous Hollywood actor. It is currently on display at the National Automobile Museum (formerly the Harrah's Collection) in Reno, Nevada.

Officers – Committees – Coordinators

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Parade Coordinator Larry Ficca

Vette's for Vet's Coordinator Gary Powell

Highway Cleanup Coordinator Doug Carpenter

Corvette Club Corvettes of Auburn - February 18th Event Report

Submitted by Rich C

Sloshing through a rainy Saturday, we went to the Open House barbeque lunch hosted by the Tacoma Corvette Club Corvettes of Auburn on 2/18. There were over ten clubs represented from all over including Seattle, Yakima and Grays Harbor. Lots of people drove their Corvettes, so it was a nice showing with nearly 100 people attending. Tables were set up throughout the Corvette specialty garage, making it was the perfect setting for a bunch of enthusiasts, with Vettes up on lifts around the room, Corvettes signage all over and checkered flag tablecloths on the tables. I was warmly welcomed and asked to briefly speak about GOCC, as each club attending had a person talk about their club.

I mentioned our charitable program support, the “Vettes for Vets” event and gave an open invitation for anyone to join us at a meeting if they are in the area. I let them know our web address if they want more information about our club. We shared our lunch table with two very nice couples from the Seattle Marquis Club. All in all, it was a nice event with friendly people who love Corvettes.

Did you know that the Pacific NW 2014 National Corvette Museum Caravan is now being planned!

It's that time to contact your Captain to reserve your spot!*

Over 7,000-10,000 Corvettes converge on Bowling Green Kentucky for the 20th Anniversary Celebration with Corvettes from all 50 US States and Canada.

Don't miss your chance to travel with many other Corvettes toward “Home” with Police escorts on our last day saying “Keep up or you're going to get left behind!”

SAVE THE WAVE!!!!

*Contact: Robin Forrer, your Pacific NW Caravan Captain
pacificnwcaraavan@hotmail.com

Visit our website for more information and Updates
www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/northwest

WOW Event Information - Submitted by Margie S

It is that time of year when we need to start making plans for our yearly WOW (aka Women Only Weekend), those of us who are planning it have planned for the weekend of September 21-23 this year.

Last year we went in August, had a fantastic time in Leavenworth, but not many signed up, we thought maybe because it was high season still and the hotels are a bit more expensive at that time. That is why we decided to go this year in September once again. We have not decided yet where to go, if anyone has a suggestion out there of someplace to go, please let me know. We are running out of ideas, help is needed in this area.

I hope to have it set by the end of April, so that gives us a couple of months to think about it. At that time too I will also have the sign up sheet ready, we hope to have a lot of women this year attend. It is always a fun weekend no matter where we go.

Covered Bridges of Oregon - Submitted by Sally K

Mark your calendar now if you are interested in participating in the Covered Bridges of Oregon event. Scheduled for the 20th through the 23rd of May. That's a Sunday through Wednesday. If you have any questions, connect with Sally or Byron.

GOCC Annual Banquet Notice

SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH 2012

OXFORD SUITES

9550 SILVERDALE WAY, SILVERDALE

SOCIAL HOUR—5 PM TO 6 PM

BUFFET STYLE DINNER — 6 PM TO ???

DOOR PRIZES, LOTS OF FUN

\$30.00 Per Person

Sign up at March General Meeting or Contact Chuck Cooley.



NEWS: Grey Chevrolet – Corvettes

Submitted by Rich C

Current financing is 0-percent for 60 months or a \$3,000.00 dollars rebate. 2.9 financing for 72 months, no rebate, on all new corvette orders or in stock inventory. Also \$1,000.00 dollars loyal customer bonus is also available to us on 1999 or newer Corvettes purchases. All new corvettes come with a 48-month 50,000 mile warranty and 100,000 mile on the power train. On March 8th Grey Chevrolet is ordering a 2012 Carlisle Blue Metallic Grand Sport, which will be arriving around June 2012. Currently Grey Chevrolet has 2011 Torch Red Convertible for around \$52,000.00 dollars. GM is mandating that every Chevrolet dealer that is authorized to sell Corvetts must sell (4) 2013-C-6s in order to be eligible to sell the new 2014-C-7s.

NOTE: Troy Strobel, Grey Chevrolet Service Consultant, will be our guest speaker at the GOCC April 5th club meeting.



Corvettes de Olympia Poker Rally XXXII



Open to all cars (makes/models/car clubs)

Sunday April 1, 2012 *rain or shine*

(In event of snow, ice or floods check www.corvettesdeolympia.org for updates.)

Start any time between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

“It is April Fool’s Day and we are not playing with a full deck!”

Start at:

Gould Chiropractic Center

704 Lilly Road SE, Olympia WA 98501

(Phone at start: 360-456-4488 day of rally only)

From I-5 in Olympia take exit #107 (Pacific Ave.,) go east on Pacific, left at signal onto Lilly Rd., and immediate right into Gould Chiropractic.

\$100/\$50/\$25 cash prizes for top poker hands.

Prizes for our other card games, too. In a poker rally you cruise around an obscure course on country roads, stop at checkpoints and draw cards to make a winning poker hand, and answer some questions about things you see along the way. Great raffle prizes this year as well. Not a speed event. Not a car show.

Bring these: Car with driver and navigator and **PROOF OF INSURANCE REQUIRED**. Anyone under age 18 must bring a parent/guardian to sign liability release. Bring pencils and a clipboard or similar to write on. GPS or maps of Thurston and Lewis counties optional; may be useful to track the route.

Entry fee: \$15.00/car. All proceeds to CdeO Automotive Scholarship Fund

Info from: Rallymasters Duncan Johnson & Dee Dahlke

253-848-7066 or duncan_travel@mac.com

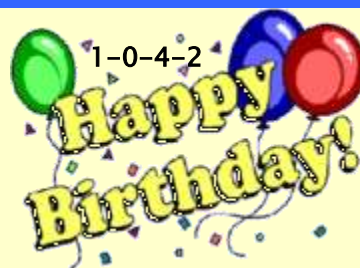
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Silverdale, WA 98383

E-Mail:
Webmaster@kitsapvettes.org

Did You Know?

For those of you who go to dinner at Hales Ale House before the monthly GOCC meeting, Costco offers gift cards for Hales Ale house at a discounted price. You get four \$25 cards for \$79 – a savings of \$21.



Frank Raught (2nd), Cathy Shaffer (3rd), DeeDee Ellingson (5th), Sharon Powell (14th), Ken Lykken (15th), Chuck Williams (16th), Rich Culley (20th), Byron Kane (21st), and Dave Ellingson (31st)!

GOCC hopes you enjoy your special day! If I missed your birthday, please let me (Michele R) know and I will include a correction in the April newsletter.

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

www.kitsapvettes.org

Charities We Sponsor - Submitted by Becky E, Charity Chair

As most of you know when we vote for our new Executive Board we are asked to recommend 2 charities for GOCC to sponsor each year. I would ask you to consider the following:

I would like to recommend we continue to support the Kitsap Humane Society as one of our local charities. We usually have a quilt raffle with a Corvette theme to raise the \$500.00 we donate once a year in springtime. I am willing to make and donate the cost of this quilt for this venture. The Humane Society does a lot of work to find good homes for 95% of their animal clients. They also offer free or subsidized spay and neuter surgery for folks on limited incomes. They do surgeries on animals that need it to get back to good health for adoption. They also do a lot of community outreach. They have always been grateful for our sponsorship. At the end of summer, or thereabouts, we collect food, toys, bedding, and other items from members. I hope you will consider voting the Kitsap Humane Society as one of our charities.

The other charity I would like to recommend we sponsor is the Kitsap Sun Bellringer Fund which is collected in the month of December for use in the counties food banks. This last year they collected over \$100,000. All the money goes directly into the food banks for local families. (This is different from the Salvation Army bell ringers which is a different enterprise altogether.) I would like to see GOCC raise another \$500.00 this year through raffles and donations to the club to fund this charity.