

THE ENLIGHT'NER
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Our club sponsor is: Jerry Smith Chevrolet – Buick, 12484 Reservation Road and Highway 20, Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 293-5166.

Club Supporters are: Corvette Alley, 1103 – 23rd St., Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 299-9303 , Village Pizza, 807 Commercial Ave., Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 293-7847 or 293-8009 and Denny's, 300 E. College Way, Mt Vernon, WA (360) 424-7500

2010 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT-----LINDA GILBERT
VICE-PRESIDENT-----BETTY CAREY
SECRETARY-----SANDY RUCH
TREASURER-----DOUG GILBERT

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Activities-----All Members
Presidential Assistant-----Jim Reed
Web Master-----Bill Amman
Statistician-----Kevin Humann
Car Shows-----Dave Overton
Elections-----Betty Carey
Newsletter Editor-----Sandy Ruch
Membership-----Barbara Strowbridge
Sergeant at Arms-----Skip Nelson
PAO-----Bill Amman

MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Aug 12. Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Aug 24 . Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Sep 14 Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Sep 28 . Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Oct 12. Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Oct 26 . Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Nov 09 Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Nov 23 . Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

(Dates/Events are subject to change)

Aug 1st Denny's Car show
Aug 7th Uncle Olie's overnighter.
Aug 13-15 Cruise the Gorge 541-980-7183
Aug 15 Run to Baker

Sep 12th Founder's Day, Sedro Woolley. Meet PETCO 8am

August Birthdays

1 Paige Wilson
3 Christie Bailey,
Doris Miller
5 Bill Amman
6 Rod Olson
17 Dave Fikse
10 Joanne Olson, Rob Brown
22 Carol Bowan,
Barney Killorin
24 Bill Strowbridge
27 Kristi Angel
30 Jim Irwin

August Anniversaries

6 Ron & Linda Telles,
Charlie & Mona Brown
9 Marc Zahrt/Jackie Vannice

Minutes

Minutes of 13 July 2010. Meeting at Denny's

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President. Members in attendance were: (40), Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Curt & Christie Bailey, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Bev Bowers, Dick & Betty Carey, Frank & Maureen DePuy, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Steve & Irene Johnson, Skip & Rita Nelson, Joanne Olson, Rod Olson, Russ & Norah Osenbach, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Bryan Pierson, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Dick Shafer, Jeff Stensland, Ron & Linda Telles, Roger Tenbrink, Wally VanDerToorn.

The minutes of the 22 June 10 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented.

OLD Business: Membership: 72

Dues collection was discussed.

Introductions made to prospective new member.

Gene reported on the Car show in Stanwood. There were approx. 432 cars.

Dave reported on the 4th of July. There were 19 cars that showed.

Wally reported on the Lyman Show. Three of our members received trophies, Congratulations to Wally, Doug & Linda.

Report on the Marine Veterans Car Show. With Donations and entry fees they collected \$10,800.00.

Doug won the 50/50 and Paul & Rissa got overall Favorite.

For more information on our overnigher please contact Joanne at 360-428-3058.

NEW BUSINESS:

Our Denney's show is Aug 1st. Meet there at 7:00 am ready to work. Wear club shirts and have Radio's ready. Parking will be in the old GI Joes parking lot. Registration is at 8:00 am no exceptions.

Trailer Day is set for July 18th at 11:00 am

Lenny put out more information regarding the run in Aug.

OTHER BUSINESS:

July 17th The plant farm at Smokey Point Car show. Call 425-327-8978

Aug 7th Uncle Olie's overnigher.

July 31st Whidbey Cruzers Summer Rendezvous

Aug 8th Classic Outlaws. Home Depot in Burlington

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The next meeting will be at Village Pizza on Tuesday Jul 27th, 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Skip Nelson won "Joker's up.

Minutes of 27 July 2010. Meeting at Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President. Members in attendance were: (24), Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Jerry Bacon, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, John & Cynthia Lucke, Joanne Olson, Russ & Norah Osenbach, Dave Overton, Dave Putnam, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Ron Telles.

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would like to bring a car down for showing. there will be no charge.

The Bill for \$1,500.00 operating funds has been submitted to the Chamber.

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Myron Scott -- photographer who named Corvette

DETROIT
— Myron E. Scott, a newspaper photographer who created the Chevrolet-sponsored All-American Soap Box Derby and later named its equally All-American sports car -- the Corvette -- died at his home on Sunday, September 4 in Kettering (outside Dayton) Ohio. He was 91.



Services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7 at the Tobias Funeral Home in Kettering.

Entombment will be in David's Mausoleum in Kettering. (Phone of funeral home is 937-252-3122.)

Surviving is his wife of 68 years, Clara Jane. (They had no children.)

"Myron Scott made a tremendous contribution to the image of Chevrolet for three decades," said John G. Middlebrook, Chevrolet general manager and a General Motors vice president. "Myron's talent and creativity will long live in the Corvettes he named, and the excitement of tens of thousands of young competitors in the Soap Box Derby, which he originated."

Born in Camden, Ohio, Scott graduated from high school in Dayton and attended the Dayton Institute of Art. He was first an artist and then a staff photographer for the Dayton Daily News. To fill a Sunday feature page in 1933, he noticed two boys with rough, soap box-type cars a few blocks apart. He told them to get friends and he'd do a photo layout of a race. From this he got the idea for the Soap Box Derby.

There was great interest and later that year the newspaper ran a race that attracted 40,000 people to watch 300 young boys coast down Burkart Hill.

In 1934, the paper again sponsored the race in Dayton. In 1935 Chevrolet assumed sponsorship, and the race moved to Akron with 32 cities entering. Scott joined Chevrolet in Detroit as assistant advertising manager to run the All-American Soap Box Derby, which became one of the nation's greatest amateur racing events. Chevrolet sponsored the Derby until 1972.

In 1953, Chevrolet introduced an all-new fiberglass sports car, and there was much indecision about a name. Many hundreds were rejected. Scott submitted "Corvette" because he said "it began with a `C'...rolled well off the tongue...and reflected the excitement of a fast World War II war ship named Corvette."

While he was honored by Corvette owners for many decades, Scott downplayed his role in the car's success. "The name didn't sell the car," he said. "It was the designer's efforts. I was just another team player trying to do a job."

In 1955 Scott moved to the newly-formed Chevrolet Public Relations department as assistant director, responsible for photography of new cars, plus design of press kits, graphics and special events. He retired from Chevrolet in 1971.

C1 ... The first generation "solid axle" Corvettes...



- The original front emblem and horn button on the "Autorama" show circuit Corvette featured crossed American and checkered flags. It was later discovered that using an American flag on a product trade mark was against the law and the emblem was changed shortly before the New York Motorama.
- On Tuesday, June 30, 1953 Corvette #1 Serial Number E53F001001 rolled off the assembly line, and Corvette production began.
- Want the rarest Corvette? In 1953 the first two Corvettes, VIN Numbers 1 and 2 were said to have been destroyed, but no records prove that fact and there are no witnesses to the destruction. Who knows? They still might be out there somewhere.
- The first Corvettes were literally "rolled" off the assembly line. The early production line was not prepared for grounding to a fiberglass body and thusly the first cars would not start.
- The first five Corvettes to come off the assembly line did not have an outside rear view mirror.
- Its radical fiberglass body was the only really new component on the 1953 Corvette. Everything else was directly off the Chevrolet parts shelf. Because of this, the first

Corvette was essentially a regular 1952 Chevrolet under the skin.

- Of the 300 (some sources argue 314) Corvettes hand built in 1953 only 183 were sold because of "average" performance at a relatively high price, \$3513. The popular Jaguar XK120 sold for \$3345; \$168 less than the Corvette.
- 1953 Corvettes were offered in any color you wanted... as long as it was Polo White with Red interior.
- A heater and an AM radio were the only Regular Production Options (RPO) offered with 1953 Corvettes.
- Production moved to the St. Louis facility for the 1954 model year.
- New 1954 exterior color options of black, blue, and red were added along with an optional beige interior choice.
- Although the Powerglide transmission was listed as a \$178 option, no 1954 Corvette was ever shipped with a manual transmission.
- The 1955 Corvette finally achieved "true" sports car status with the introduction of 265 cubic inch, 195 hp V-8 engine and 3-speed manual transmission.
- To commemorate the new V-8 engine, 1955 Corvettes featured an enlarged, gold "V" in the "Corvette" script on the front fender panels.
- There are 13 vertical bars or "teeth" are in the grill of 1956 Corvettes.
- One of the few ways to differentiate between a 1956

and 1957 Corvette without opening the hood is to look at the inside rear view mirror. On the 1956 model, it adjusts with a thumbscrew, on the 1957 adjustment requires a wrench to loosen the locknut.

- The 1957 Corvette was the first mass produced American automobile to offer 1 horsepower per cubic inch of engine displacement (283hp/283ci).

- The "Polo White" color was last used in 1957.

- 1957 was the first year a limited slip differential and fuel injection were offered as options.

- For the first time since its introduction, the '58 Corvette came with factory-installed seat belts.

- 1958 was the last year of a tachometer which kept track of "cumulative engine revolution counter" a feature which first appeared in the 1953 Corvette. In 1958 the tach was used on 230, 245, and 250 hp cars but not on the 270 and 290 hp cars. The Part number is #1548631 for 1958 models.

- Optional engines in 1956 had 9 fin alloy valve covers, 1957 had 7 or 9 fin alloy valve covers, and the 1958 had 7 fin alloy covers on optional engines.

- Before 1958, the only acrylic lacquer paint used was on the "Inca Silver" Corvettes.

- 1959 was the only year that turquoise soft tops were available.

- Sun visors (called "sunshades") became a

Corvette option in 1959.

- Nylon belted tires first became available on the 1960 Corvette, prior to 1960 only cotton ply tires were offered.

- The 1961 Corvette was the last year to feature "wide whitewall" tires.

- The 1961 Corvette dropped the "round" nose emblem of previous years in favor of the word "CORVETTE" spelled out as individual letters.

- The trademark chrome grill teeth disappeared forever in 1961, to be replaced by a fine mesh screen in the radiator opening.

- 1962 Was the last of the solid rear axle Corvettes and the last year for the power top on the convertible.

parry \PAR-ee\, verb, noun:

1. to ward off; turn aside (as a thrust or weapon) 2. the act of warding off

I am not saying the whole group's survival is at stake. But we have to act today if we are to parry the harder onslaught of our competitors tomorrow.

-- Bernd Pischetsrieder

by 1639, from French parer (which commonly would have been heard in fencing lessons), from parer "ward off," from Italian parare "to ward or defend a blow," from Latin parare "make ready, prepare." Non-fencing use is from 1717.

sanguine \SANG-gwin\, adjective, noun;

Also used as a noun, red iron-oxide crayon used in making drawings:

1. cheerfully optimistic, hopeful, or confident 2. reddish; ruddy 3. (in old physiology) having blood as the

predominating humor and consequently being ruddy-faced, cheerful, etc.

4. blood-red; red

5. Heraldry. a reddish-purple tincture.

6. a red iron-oxide crayon used in making drawings

I had now arrived at my seventeenth year, and had attained my full height, a fraction over six feet. I was well endowed with youthful energy, and was of an extremely sanguine temperament.

-- Henry Bessemer

by 1319, "type of red cloth," from Old French sanguin (feminine form, sanguine), from Latin sanguineus "of blood," also "bloody, bloodthirsty," from sanguis "blood." Meaning "blood-red" is recorded from 1382. Meaning "cheerful, hopeful, confident" first attested 1509, since these qualities were thought in medieval physiology to spring from an excess of blood as one of the four humors.

LEMON BERRY TRIFLE

2 (24.2 ounce) Tubs ready to eat cheesecake filling

¼ cup lemon curd

6 cups vanilla wafer crumbs

6 cups mixed fresh berries

In a large bowl, combine cheesecake filling and lemon curd. Spread 2 1/3 cups cheesecake mixture on the bottom of a 3 ½ quart trifle bowl. Sprinkle with 2 cups mixed berries. Repeat layers twice, ending with berries. Cover and chill, or serve immediately.

If you want something to appear in the Newsletter.

Feel free to e-mail the information to Edgar.

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