# THE ENLIGHT'NER

# **July 2010 NEWSLETTER**

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

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#### **2010 CLUB OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT	I INDA GII BERT
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SECRETARY	SANDY RUCH
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#### **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, Jul 13. Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

<u>Tuesday, Jul 27</u>. Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

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

<u>Tuesday, Aug 24.</u> Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

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

<u>Tuesday, Sep 28</u>. Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

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

<u>Tuesday, Oct 26</u>. Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

# ACTIVITY SCHEDULE (Dates/Events are subject to change)

July 4<sup>th</sup> City of Auburn Car Show. Call 253-931-3043 July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade meet at Dave O's 9-9:30 lunch after July 10<sup>th</sup> Lyman car show. Registration 8-12. \$10.00 entry. Meet at PETCO 7:30 am

July 11<sup>th</sup> Marine Corp Veterans League at Riverfront Park is July 11<sup>th</sup> 10-4. 15\$ entry.

Meet at PETCO 9:00 am

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

Aug 7<sup>th</sup> Uncle Olie's overnighter.

Aug 13-15 Cruise the Gorge 541-980-7183

Aug 15 Run to Baker

Sep 12<sup>th</sup> Founder's Day, Sedro Woolley. Meet PETCO 8am

### July Birthdays

5	Gayle Humann
6	Sandy Ruch
7	Mona Brown
12	Beki Killorin
20	Kevin Cobley,
	Jackie Vannice
21	David Acton
23	Jay Cockrum
24	Mike Keller
25	Doug Wicksell Sr.,
	Wally VanDerToorn
27	Lucy Mitchelle
28	Georgene Finch
30	Mickie Maisch
31	Linda Gilbert,
	Marti Westphal

## **July Anniversaries**

2 Bill & Sue Hershaw27 Bill & Karen Amman

## <u>Minutes</u>

## Minutes of 8 JUNE 2010. Meeting at Denny's

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the Vice President. Members in attendance were: (24), Lenny Angello, Curt & Christie Bailey, Dick & Betty Carey, Frank & Maureen DePuy, Doug Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, Skip & Rita Nelson, Joanne Olson, Rod Olson, Dave Overton, Bryan Pierson, Dick Shafer, Bill & Barb Stowbridge, Ron Telles, Roger Tenbrink, 2 new members Russ & Norah Osenbach. The minutes of the 25 May 10 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented with the profits of our car shows.

#### **OLD Business:**

Membership: 68 Dues are due. Bryan gave the gas money presented to him back to the club. Thank you Bryan.

Kevin reported on the Nastalgic Drags meeting he attended.

Linda Telles has a few shirts left.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Doug has flyers for 2 new shows coming up.

Meeting was short and sweet

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

June 12 Greenbank Show 360-929-1609

June 12 Lind Demo Derby

June 18-20 Dayton's All Wheels weekend, for info call 509-843-1151

June 18-20 Lake Tahoe, Linda G has registration form. For more info contact Lenny Angello.

June 20<sup>th</sup>, Berry Derry Dayz. Burlington. Meet PETCO 8:00 am.

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The next meeting will be at Village Pizza on Tuesday Jun  $22^{nd}$ , 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Skip Nelson won "Joker's up.

# Minutes of 22 JUNE 2010. Meeting at Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President. Members in attendance were: (33), Bill &

Karen Amman, Jerry Bacon, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Dick & Betty Carey, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, John & Therese Kingsbury, John & Cynthis Lucke, Skip & Rita Nelson, Joanne Olson, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Dave & Eileen Putnam, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Ron & Linda Telles, Russ & Norah Osenbach.

The minutes of the 8 June 10 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented with the profits of our car shows.

#### **OLD Business:**

Membership: 72

Dues are due.

Thanks to Betty Barb & Doug for filling in.

Report on Berry Derry Dayz. 10 Cars showed. Three of which took trophies. Congrats to Dave, Doug and Linda

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

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Insurance is all set for the Aug show. Linda is looking for coupons for door prizes.

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Rita Nelson won "Joker's up.

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Have you ever wondered where the slogan, "Save The Wave" came from and what it means? Below is an article that first appeared in the August/September 1969 issue of Corvette News. The article was entitled "Save The Wave". Remember, this article was written and published in **1969**!

#### SAVE THE WAVE

Ever since Corvette No. 00001 first met Corvette No. 00002 on the road, their drivers saluted each other with waves.

Today, unfortunately, this grand and glorious tradition is wavering.

There's one item of standard equipment that comes as a pleasant surprise to every new Corvette



owner. It's an instant wave of recognition he or she recieves when he meets one of their ilks on the road. The first time it happens, they will be taken by surprise. He immediately thinks:

- 1. He has been mistaken for Stirling Moss.
- 2. His lights are on.
- 3. He has just been given the bird.

Soon, however, the new Vette owner anticipates, indeed even relishes, encountering other Vettes as he drives. During this period, he experiments with his waves, running the gamut from the gaping "yoo hoo" to the ultra cool "two finger flip." He perfects his timing, making sure he affects neither a too-early wave, nor the jaded "oh brother" too-late variety. Determined not to be one upped, he even developes a defense mechanism for non wavers, usually settling on the "Wave"? My hand was just on the way to scratch my head" approach. (This is especially useful when you're not driving your Vette, but you forget, and like a dummy, you wave anyway.)

Indeed, one of the most perplexing problems facing a would-be waver is what to do when driving next to a fellow Vette owner. Passing him going in opposite directions is one thing. Greetings are exchanged, and

that's that. But what happens when you pull up next to a guy at a light, wave, nod, smile and then pull up to him at the next light, a block later? Wave again? Nod bashfully? Grin self-consciously? Ignore him? Or take the chicken's way out and turn down the next side street? If you're expecting an answer, you won't find it here. Sad to say, some questions don't have

any.



Girl-type Corvette drivers also have a unique problem: to wave or not to wave. This miss or misses who borrows her man's Corvette for the first time is immediately faced

with this quandary. Should she wave first and look overly friendly, or ignore the wave and look like a snob? Most ladies who drive their own Vettes prefer to suffer the latter rather than take a chance of being misread. For this reason, all girls are excused for occassionally failing to return a well-meaning wave. So are new owners who are still learning the ropes.

There is no excuse, however, for a guy who refuses to return the wave, not out of ignorance, but of arrogance or apathy. While this type of behavior is the exception to the rule, it seems a few owners of newer models refuse to recognize anything older than theirs, while some others simply won't wave, period. Boo on them. These ding-a-lings don't seem to realize that they are helping to squash a tradition that had its beginnings back when most of us were still driving tootsietoys.

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# History of the Corvette Emblem



Figure 1



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Over the years, the Corvette has gone through many design changes; some subtle, some not so subtle. The Corvette's symbolic crossed flags emblem has also seen its fair number of changes. If you've taken a close look at the emblem over the five generations of Corvette, you'll notice that even though the design has changed dramatically from time to time, a few design cues remain. These include some form of a checkered flag and a bow-tie emblem. From time to time, a strange, maple leaf type of insignia, called a "fleur-de-lis" also shows up from time to time in the emblem. So what does all this mean and how did it get started?

The original Corvette logo (Figure 1) was designed by Robert Bartholomew, an interior designer at Chevrolet in 1953. This emblem was destined to appear on the 1953 Corvette prototype which was introduced to the public for the first time at New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel in January of 1953. It had crossing staffs with the checkered flag on the right hand side, and the American flag on the left hand side. However, four days before the Corvette was to go on display at the show, Chevrolet management decided that it should be redesigned. The problem with the proposed emblem was that it included the

American flag which is illegal to use on a commerical product. Right before the show, redesigned emblems were attached to the front hood and steering wheel of the Corvette. The new emblem contained the checkered flag on the right side as well as the white racing flag, red Chevrolet bow-tie symbol and a fleur-de-lis (Figure 2).

Where did the fleur-de-lis come from? At the time, Chevrolet was conducting research on various emblem designs for the 1953 and 1954 passenger cars. They looked at the Louis Chevrolet family history in an attempt to discover a crest or some type of heraldry that they could utilize. Unfortunately, they came up empty, but they did realize that Chevrolet is a French name and the fleurde-lis (flower of the lily) is a French symbol meaning peace and purity. They decided to use the fleur-delis along with the famous blue Chevrolet bow tie on a new flag which replaced the American flag on the Corvette. When the 1953 Corvette first appeared to the public at the Waldorf Historia Hotel, the redesigned emblems were in place.

However, this emblem was temporary and used only for press photography at the show. A new emblem was designed prior to the 1953

Corvette going into production.

If you're wondering what ever happened to the original 1953 Corvette emblem by Robert Bartholemew, it's currently on display at the National Corvette Museum!

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#### squelch \SKWELCH\, verb:

- To put down, suppress, or silence, as with a crushing retort or argument.
- 2. To strike or press with crushing force; crush down.3. To make a splashing sound.
- 4. To tread heavily in water, mud, wet shoes, etc., with such a sound.

#### noun:

 Electronics. A circuit in a receiver, as a radio receiver, that automatically reduces or eliminates noise when the receiver is tuned to a frequency at which virtually no carrier wave occurs.

But Beijing has few other outlets for investing its vast cash holdings and was quick to squelch any suggestion that it was losing confidence in the euro, which would only undermine the value of its own reserves.

-- Aileen Wang and Simon Rabinovitch, "China Says Europe Key Market", Reuters, June 2010

He didn't care for her engagements, her campaigns, or all the expectancy of her friends; to squelch all that, at a stroke, was the dearest wish of his heart.

-- Henry James, The Bostonians: a novel

Squelch has uncertain origins, though it bears a relationship to the obsolete quelch and quash.

#### gizmo \GIZ-moh\, noun:

A mechanical device or part whose name is forgotten or unknown; a gadget.

Perhaps mindful that the machines might not swing, Metheny began with the gizmos turned off, employing an acoustic guitar for dark, Spanish-tinged tunes.

-- Karl Stark, "Metheny's gizmo sidemen a bit flat", Philadephia Inquirer

Why did we have to wait until the end of the twentieth century for this gizmo to see the light of day?

-- Paul Auster, Timbuktu

Gizmo was originally 1940s U.S. Navy and Marine Corps slang, whose source is unknown.

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#### **BLUE LAGOON MARGARITAS**

4 lime slices
3 Tbsp coarse sugar
½ cup lemon-lime soda, chilled
½ cup tequila
1/3 cup frozen limeade concentrate, partially thawed.
½ cup blue curacao
2 cups ice cubes

Using lime slices, moisten the rims of 4 margarita or cocktail glasses. Set aside lime slices for garnish. Sprinkle coarse sugar on a plate; hold each glass upside down and dip rim into sugar. Set aside. Discard remaining sugar.

In a blender, combine the remaining ingredients: cover and process until blended. Pour into prepared glasses, Garnish with reserved lime slices. Serve immediately.

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If you want something to appear in the Newsletter.

Feel free to e-mail the information to Edgar.

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