

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, Jun 8. Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Jun 22. Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Jul 13. Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Jul 27. Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

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.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
(Dates/Events are subject to change)

June 4 & 5 CruizinChelan car show.1-800-424-3526
June 5th Northwest Demolition Derby & Car Show, Lynden WA 360-815-1194
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 20th, Berry Derry Dayz. Burlington. Meet PETCO 8:00 am.
 June 26th Barn Run Coupeville
 June 27th Car Show in Stanwood, Meet PETCO 7:30 am.
 July 4th City of Auburn Car Show. Call 253-931-3043
 July 10th Lyman car show. Registration 8-12. \$10.00 entry. Meet at PETCO 7:30 am
 July 11th Marine Corp Veterans League at Riverfront Park is July 11th 10-4. 15\$ entry.
 Meet at PETCO 9:00 am
 July 17th The plant farm at Smokey Point Car show. Call 425-327-8978
 Aug 7th Uncle Olie's overnigher.
 Aug 13-15 Cruise the Gorge 541-980-7183
 Aug 15 Run to Baker
 Sep 12th Founder's Day, Sedro Woolley. Meet PETCO 8am

June Birthdays

1 Dale McAtee
 4 Sandy Overton
 10 Bryan Pierson
 14 Bill Ruch, David Putnam
 15 Linda Haskins
 26 Kathy Hammer

June Anniversaries

2 Rob & Sherri Brown
 8 Dave & Jane Fikse
 12 Dave & Debbie Thomason

Minutes

Minutes of 11 May 2010. Meeting at Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President. Members in attendance were: (35), Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angello, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Rob & Sherri Brown, Dick & Betty Carey, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, Sam Lovold, Dale McAtee, Skip & Rita Nelson, Joanne Olson, Rod Olson, Dave Overton, Bryan Pierson, Mel & Linda Paul, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Barb Stowbridge, Ron & Linda Telles, Roger Tenbrink, Marc Zart.

The minutes of the 27 Apr 10 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented.

OLD Business:

Membership: 66

Introductions to guests.

Report on Trailer Day and our Breakfast with Luke.

Linda Telles has the shirts that were ordered. She also has a couple of extras. Please let her know if you need one.

Dave reported on the Silvana and the Toyota shows. For more information on our overnigher please contact Joanne at 360-428-3058.

May 15-16, be ready to work and have Radios charged. Wear club shirts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made to donate \$500 to the Marine Corp Veterans League. Motion passed.

July 4th parade - meet at Dave Overton's.

Car show for the Marine Veteran League at Riverfront Park is July 11th 10-4. 15\$ entry. Meet at PETCO 9:00 am

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May 23 Cruzin for a Cure \$20 entry. All proceeds to the American Cancer Society.

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The next meeting will be at Denny's on Tuesday May 25, 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Karen Amman won Joker up.

Minutes of 25 May 2010. Meeting at Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President. Members in attendance were: (23),

Lenny Angello, Jerry Bacon, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Frank DePuy, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, John & Therese Kingsbury, Skip & Rita Nelson, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Stowbridge.

The minutes of the 11 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.

We had a wonderful weekend for our shows. Thank you to all that worked so very hard to make it great. Linda Telles has a few shirts left.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made to purchase a tank of gas for Bryan for pulling our trailer. Not to exceed \$50. Motion passed.

Bill gave a great report on his trip to Bowling Green. July 4th parade - meet at Dave Overton's. Between 9-9:30 am. Lunch at the Mexican Restaurant after.

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Doug Gilbert won "Joker's up."

Chevrolet and Onstar Prepare First Responders For Electric Vehicle Technology

2010-06-02

❖ Chevrolet and OnStar join with the nation's leading first-responder organizations to educate and train members on electric vehicle technology.

Chevrolet and OnStar plan multi-city education and training tour later this year in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Detroit and Washington, D.C.

First-responder training is part of the continuous safety features of the Chevrolet Volt before, during and after a crash.

With more than 50 crash tests already conducted, Chevrolet expects Volt to achieve high safety ratings in government tests. Volt's body structure is made up of nearly 80 percent high-strength steel.

San Francisco – [Chevrolet](#) has joined with [OnStar](#) and leading national first-responder organizations to announce the first automotive manufacturer-sponsored training program to educate first responders nationwide on [electric vehicle technology](#).

The announcement was jointly made today at the San Francisco Fire Department with leaders of Chevrolet, OnStar, the [International Association of Fire Fighters](#) (IAFF), [International Association of Fire Chiefs](#) (IAFC) and the [National Emergency Number Association](#) (NENA).

"Technological changes in the automotive industry require changes in fire and emergency service operations as well," said Chief Jack Parow, first vice president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. "The IAFC is proud to work with Chevrolet and OnStar to ensure that fire responders are adequately trained in how to work with the

new technology, both for their own safety and the safety of those they serve.”

The training sessions will feature the Chevrolet Volt and will begin at the IAFC’s Fire-Rescue International Conference, Aug. 23-27 in Chicago. Together with OnStar, Chevrolet will also display the Volt at the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials conference Aug. 1-4 in Houston, and at the NENA conference, June 5-10 in Indianapolis. Chevrolet and OnStar will host first-responder sessions in Volt retail markets later this year including San Francisco, Los Angeles, Detroit and Washington, D.C.

“We believe a first-responder education program is very important to raise the awareness and understanding of electric vehicle technology,” said Carmen Benavides, director, Chevrolet Safety. “This is a natural extension of the collaborative efforts we’ve had in the past when introducing new safety and other leading technologies.”

During the past several months, Chevrolet has collaborated with first-responder representatives from national safety organizations to develop educational materials for firefighters, law enforcement, emergency medical technicians and emergency dispatchers nationwide. This will help ensure the training meets the needs and answers the questions their colleagues are likely to have about electric vehicles.

Their feedback is being incorporated into training materials that will be available on the tour and posted on a targeted Web site for departments unable to attend the training sessions.

The training will include animation and illustrations of the Chevrolet Volt, highlighting locations of high-strength steel, cut points for extrication, first-responder labeling, automatic and manual electrical shut-off and more.

The Chevrolet Volt’s [safety](#) features include safeguards before, during and – thanks to OnStar -- after a crash. Before a crash, the Volt’s safety technology includes standard anti-lock brakes with traction control, StabiliTrak electronic stability control and daytime running lamps. In the event of a crash, the Volt uses occupant protection features such as high-strength steel, crash sensors, eight standard air bags and safety belts with dual pretensioners to reduce the risk of injury. After a crash, the Chevrolet Volt has the added protection of OnStar, which uses built-in vehicle sensors to automatically alert an OnStar advisor in certain types of collisions. The advisor is immediately connected to

the vehicle and can request that emergency help be sent to its location.

Chevrolet expects the Volt to achieve high safety ratings in government tests. More than 50 crash tests at various speeds and angles have been conducted in the development of the Chevrolet Volt to date, including front, side and rear impacts as well as rollovers. The Volt’s body structure is made up of nearly 80 percent high-strength steel and includes optimized restraint systems.

Chevrolet has been working to get the country ready for electric vehicles such as the Volt for the past several years. In the time since the Volt was announced as a production program in 2007, Chevrolet has joined with the Electric Power Research Institute and 10 major electric utilities across the country, collaborated with several local and state governments in key states, and met with city stakeholders in important markets to help ensure widespread consumer adoption of electric vehicles. The Chevrolet Volt will launch in select markets late this year.

About Chevrolet

Chevrolet is a global automotive brand, with annual sales of about 3.5 million vehicles in more than 130 countries. Chevrolet provides consumers with fuel-efficient, safe and reliable vehicles that deliver high quality, expressive design, spirited performance and value. In the U.S., the Chevrolet portfolio includes: iconic performance cars, such as Corvette and Camaro; dependable, long lasting pickups and SUVs, such as Silverado and Suburban; and award-winning passenger cars and crossovers, such as Malibu, Equinox and Traverse. Chevrolet also offers “gas-friendly to gas-free” solutions including the Cruze Eco and Volt, both arriving in late 2010. Cruze Eco will offer up to 40 mpg highway while the Chevrolet Volt will offer up to 40 miles of electric, gas-free driving and an additional 300 miles of extended range (based on GM testing; official EPA estimates not yet available). Most new Chevrolet models offer OnStar safety, security, and convenience technologies including OnStar Hands-Free Calling, Automatic Crash Response, and Stolen Vehicle Slowdown. More information regarding Chevrolet models, fuel solutions, and OnStar availability can be found at www.chevrolet.com.

About OnStar

OnStar, a wholly-owned subsidiary of General Motors, is the leading provider of in-vehicle safety, security and communication services. OnStar is available on more than

30 MY 2010 GM models. OnStar is standard for one year on nearly all new GM retail vehicles in the United States and Canada. OnStar provides services to more than 5.5 million subscribers in the U.S. and Canada. Shanghai OnStar Telematics Co. Ltd., a joint venture between OnStar, LLC, Shanghai Automotive Industry Sales Co., Ltd. and Shanghai General Motors, provides services in China. More information about OnStar can be found at www.onstar.com. OnStar Stolen Vehicle Slowdown is a recipient of the 2010 Edison Award for Best New Product in the technology category.

Subject: It's not about the car...

It's 4:45am Sunday morning and my son just left with a guy named Bill Strowbridge who came from Washington to be a part of this weekend. Months ago when Bill called me and asked what I was doing for the 20th Anniversary of the ZR-1, I didn't have an answer. I hadn't thought about it. In the past a small group of diehards came to Bowling Green, had some beer and pizza, made a donation to the NCM and went home. Much to my dismay.

Several years ago some of you might have been present when the NCM's new "Events Director" Roc Linkov, walked up to our small group of C4 people and announced the event was to be no more. There would be no auction and in fact, if the ZR-1 folks wanted to come to Bowling Green, they could come with the Z06 folks and they would call it the "Z Fest". As Roc spoke, I saw red.

I went to the microphone, looked at Roc and Adam and said; "Who do you guys think you are?." I went on about how the NCM was there because of us, and that we had supported it, saved it from extinction, and will continue to do so. And as I looked into the eyes of the small group there, I could see terror in the eyes of NCM supporters such as Hutch and others. Many hated me for saying what I did. I said what I felt in my heart and when I returned to me table, some shook my hand and didn't say a word. That Monday morning Adam Boca, NCM assistant events person, who had written a beautiful testimonial for my website, asked that it be removed and any endorsement of me or my company be withdrawn. Of course I laughed and left it there for

6 months but I finally removed it, and replaced it with many others, but I was the Black Sheep, the Pirate of the NCM for years to come. This past weekend has left me speechless. The 20th Birthday of the ZR-1 was the best event I've seen since...well...since we did the Legends Lives. When I decided to do something for this event, I asked for your support and contributions. The next day I came in my office and found \$1800 in my pay pal account. The first of which was from who else, Bill Strowbridge. The guy who bought Doug Johnson's "Beast 2" For those of you who made it, thank you for making it the best event in many, many years. For those of you who couldn't attend, this post is for you.

Just like the days of old, the ZR-1 folks came from across the globe. Names and faces I've not seen for some 15 years. As usual, the Egelstads from Washington came but they were in for a surprise. Unknown to them, their son Eric, the Platoon Sergeant of the 1St Platoon, 101st Airborn (Air Assault Division) US Army, was conspiring with me to bring awareness of our troops who are serving across the globe. His current assignment is in the Zanbar Province in Afghanistan, one of the hottest military combat zones known today. The proceeds from our BBQ is going to them so that they may be a little safer, and a bit more comfortable. Just a note. Eric's platoon has been deployed since January. To date, they have been attacked 127 times. Not counting today..

Throughout the weekend we were inundated with offers of help. When Bill Strowbridge arrived I gave him a towel and some wax and pointed him to the shop. His eyes glistened, he smiled and he went to work. Although I was consumed with the preparations for the largest party we've ever done, 225+, I noticed Bill was relentless with the tasks I had given him. He polished and shined every single piece of equipment, he ran every errand, he was right there every time I needed him. He was soaking wet in the humidity, but he was there and enjoying every minute of it. He reminded me of his car's namesake, Douglas K. Johnson, who pushed me to accomplishments I never would have considered undertaking without his support and guidance. Had Bill also inherited the Beast's former owner's support duties as well??

Now in the past the NCM has not gone to any extremes to dress up the museum for a few ZR-1 relic fans. To move a car, let alone an entire display takes a ton of time and therefore resources.

Resources cost money and money has been short. I received many complaints about the NCM's lack of attention to us after all, without the ZR-1 group, it wouldn't be even be here today. But this weekend something has happened.. The NCM was adorned with some 20 variants of the ZR-1. Some of the rarest cars that exist were on display. The new Conference Center of the NCM was pleasantly filled, but most importantly, there was also a bar..:-)) Roc and his staff did a magnificent job and all of you will agree. If not, we'll step outside.J

You see, some time ago I received a surprise call from Roc Lincov at the NCM. Somewhat reluctantly I returned the call to find out that I was invited to lunch. Just Roc and myself. Having a deadly weapons permit I thought of wearing a long shirt but then thought better of it. Our lunch began with me telling Roc I had respect for him for inviting me to lunch after all these years. That takes Balls. In the next 2 ½ hours we talked about how we could improve the NCM.

Well last night folks, was a dream come true. Our room was filled with some of the best of the best. And this time there would be no wrapped sandwiches from a cooler and a bag of chips. Nope. The very same caterer, Mariahs, (who did the Legend Lives) catered the event and it was the best food I've had in a long time. Well, at least since Thursday.

Roc Lincov, the man I so heavily scolded in front of many of you, was man enough to set aside our differences and make something positive of it. The NCM's schedule of events was superb. Some of you donated items for us to auction and when we ran short of time, we brought them to the NCM and raised them \$2500. Of course there WILL be a few items going on Ebay...

Congratulations to all of you who have supported our hobby and kept it alive. For remembering what that GM guy, Jack Underwood, once told me at Stillwater:

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"We have passed the torch to you and it is now your responsibility. Without you guys, that flame will die."

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Although our flame may not be the blow torch that it once was, it is still burning in our hearts. Thanks to Dave Bright for his unwavering dedication for all these years, keeping us together, guiding us, just like a Mom. And David Johnson who led the event organization for the Registry. And all the rest of you who continue to contribute.

I can't tell you how many folks came up to me and told me this was their first ZR-1 Gathering. Others said it had been years since they've been. It was monotonous, etc. You're right, it was. But not anymore.

So who do you think offered to take Jim Jr to the airport this Sunday morning at 4:45 am? Bill Strowbridge. And as the thunder and lightening came from the west, Bill shook my hand and offered his praise for such an enjoyable weeknd. I smiled at him and remembered the quote from our dear departed friend, Douglas K. Johnson, who seems to still be watching over us all, guiding us and inspiring us even after his departure from this world.

"It's not about the car, Bill. It's about the People" I said. "And whether you like it or not, you are now my Douglas K. Johnson."

Bill's eyes filled with tears as he climbed into his rental.

P.S. I flew Jim Jr in from California because I needed another LT5 wrench. Well, OK, maybe because it is one of my best excuses for getting to see him again. But I have to say, he was there for all of us every minute of every day. He makes me so proud I can't describe it...must take after his Mom, huh?

Now for a nap. I must be getting old....
Jvd & the exhausted Beagle...

Submitted by: Barb Strowbridge

tipple \TIP-uhl\, verb:

1. To drink intoxicating liquor, esp. habitually or to some excess.
2. To drink (intoxicating liquor), esp. repeatedly, in small quantities.

noun:

1. Intoxicating liquor.
2. A device that tilts or overturns a freight car to dump its contents.

Although we're pretty sure that soccer fans will find a way to tipple with or without the council's thumbs-up, it's nice to know that the city's bar owners can get in on the action.

-- Karon Liu, "City May Allow Soccer Fans-to Drink at-10 a.m. During-World Cup," Toronto Life

"I'm so pleased so many people came out today, including many who have never voted before. I will have a quick tipple today then the real work starts on Monday."

-- Rory O'Keeffe, "Conservative Penny Mordaunt swept to victory in Portsmouth North, taking 44 per cent of the vote." Portsmouth News

Tipple is a back formation from the Middle English *tipeler*, "to tap." Tippy is also related.

plucky \PLUHK-ee\, adjective:

Having or showing pluck or courage; brave.

Little Orphan Annie will soon skip off into the newspaper sunset, Tribune Media Services announced last week in canceling the plucky 86 year-old redhead.

-- Michael Cavna, "Why canceled 'Little Orphan Annie' is really seeing her final 'tomorrow'"

He was very plucky and didn't say a word, only trembled a little; and Mother got scared and took him out of his little bed and into her own.

-- Sigurd Hoel, Sverre Lyngstad, The road to the world's end

Plucky is originally boxing slang from the 1800s, from the meaning "heart, viscera" as that which is "plucked" from slaughtered livestock.

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.

If you want something to appear in the Newsletter.

Feel free to e-mail the information to Edgar.

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