

THE ENLIGHT'NER
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2011 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT-----JIM REED
VICE-PRESIDENT-----KEVIN HUMANN
SECRETARY-----KAREN AMMAN
TREASURER-----DOUG GILBERT

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Activities-----All Members
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, Feb 8, Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

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

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

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

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

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

Tuesday, May 10, Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

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

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

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

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Sunday, Feb 6. Red Wine and Chocolate Run. Cedar
Creek Winery

February Birthdays

3 Curt Bailey
6 Karen Amman
9 Dick Shafer
13 John Lucke
14 Pat Acton
20 Jack Bowen
23 Dave Thomason

February Anniversaries

5 Skip & Rita Nelson
8 Bill & Barb Strowbridge
13 Bob & Jan Maryott
14 Ron & Anita Davis,
Jim & Jan Irwin

Minutes

No OFFICIAL meeting held on Jan 11th due to weather

Minutes of Jan 25, 2011 Meeting at Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the the president.

Members in attendance were(37) Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Jerry Bacon, Jerry Ball, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Jack Bowen, Betty Carey, Frank De Puy, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, John & Therese Kingsbury, John & Cynthia Lucke, Skip & Rita Nelson, Joanne Olson, Russ & Norah Osenbach, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Dave Putnam, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Ron Telles, Wally VanDertoor.

The new club officers were sworn in by Betty Carey. The minutes of the unofficial meeting Dec 11, 2010 Christmas party at Max Dales were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given.

OLD Business:

Membership 66

Kevin Humann presented 5 year pin to Jack & Carol Bowen.

Club decided to continue membership pins in the future. We received a nice note & picture from Luke and his parents, also a thank you letter from Skagit Valley Neighbors in Need.

Linda Gilbert reported on the cancelled Jan 11, 2011 meeting at Denny's. 9 couples showed up.

Jim Reed reported flyers arrived for our car shows. If interested in going to Pacific Beach 4-17 thru 4-20 contact Steve Maische subdoc4@msn.com.

New Business:

Kevin Humann will lead us on a Red Wine and Chocolate Tour Sunday Feb. 6. Meet at Farmhouse Restaurant 11:15.

Sat. Feb 19 Tacoma Corvette Club Open house noon – 3 PM

Kevin presented some ideas for future activities:

Vette-a-bration in Yakima

Movie night at Jim & June Reed's

Get Together with the Wenatchee Club

Snoqualmie Falls run

GPS Mystery run

A day spent taking pictures of member's cars

Bill Amman invited members to Grand Canyon Star Party Trip in June.

Lenny Angelo brought us up to date on Lake Tahoe car show in June.

Dave Overton has free(Saturday Only) Tickets to Swap meet February 12.

Joanne Olson let us know about June 10th trip to Demo-Derby in Lind.

Jim Reed has Good Guy schedules.

Sandy Ruch will continue as newsletter editor.

The club statistics report will be presented at the next meeting at Denny's.

If you want a club roster contact Barb Strowbridge

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Next meeting will be at Denny's, Mt Vernon Feb. 8.

Joanne Olson won Joker's up.

Jeremiah Speaks

Well, I am back for another year as your Club President. Guess I am a glutton for punishment. 2011 started off with a "bang" so to speak. Our scheduled meeting on January 11th became a social visit due to bad weather. On the good side, 18 members showed up and had time just talking and having some fun. I hope this year will be a good one and that our Club can have another great year. We are already making plans for various activities and our annual Car Shows in May and July. If time goes as fast as last year, we will be planning for our end of the year Christmas dinner and awards ceremonies in a couple months. At least it seems that way. Keep checking our Web Page and your email for late breaking information concerning Club activities, etc. Time to go for now and I hope to you all at the meetings.

A Bit of Humor

"Sometimes when I reflect on all the beer I drink, I feel ashamed. Then I look into the glass and think about the

workers in the brewery and all of their hopes and dreams. If I didn't drink this beer, they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered. I think, "It is better to drink this beer and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver." Babe Ruth

A man owned a small farm in Ireland . The Irish Internal Revenue determined he was not paying proper wages to his staff and sent an investigator out to interview him. "I need a list of your employees and how much you pay them!," demanded the investigator.

"Well," replied the farmer, "there's my farm hand who's been with me for three years. I pay him \$200 a week plus free room and board. "The cook has been here for 18 months, and I pay her \$150 per week plus free room and board." "Then there's the halfwit. He works about 18 hours every day and does about 90% of all the work around here. He makes about \$10 a week. He pays his own room and board, and I buy him a bottle of whiskey every Saturday night. He also sleeps with my wife occasionally." "That's the guy I want to talk to...the halfwit!" said the agent. "That would be me," replied the farmer.

Corvette News

General Motors has been tight lipped about the 7th generation of the fabled Chevrolet Corvette but some recent news about \$890 million in upgrades to GM's small block V8 engine facilities have bolstered rumors of new engines. The key piece of information is that the C7 Corvette will not stay with the current 6.2L LS3 engine but instead, it will feature a new 5.5L V8 small block. The rumors suggest that the 5.5L V8 will offer only a slight improvement in horsepower, going from 430 to 440, but thanks to direct injection technology this smaller displacement V8 will offer improved fuel economy over the already gas-friendly LS3.

The appearance of the C7 Corvette is a much debated item around the automotive world but GM has given no indication as to what to expect. The "50th Anniversary Corvette Stingray Concept Design" offered sharp styling and the familiar split window coupe design from the 1963 Corvette coupes but even though that sleek concept found its way onto the big screen in the Transformers movie, we are not likely to see anything that dramatic from the C7 Corvette. There have been a great many rumors that in 2013 we will see a 50th anniversary edition of the 1963 split window coupe but with the outrageous safety standards in the US, could GM really make a Corvette with a beam running down the center of the rear window? If we do get a reincarnation of the split window design, expect it to be a high dollar and low volume production.

Early in the life of the C6 Corvette, some of the Chevrolet diehards voiced their displeasure with the fact that GM had gone away from the familiar hide-a-way headlights but the booming sales of the C6 Corvette shows that the fixed headlights were received fairly well by those looking to buy a new sports car.

When might we know more about the C7 Corvette? Figure that a major announcement like the 7th generation of the Chevrolet Corvette would come months before the models hit the market and new models typically go on sale in the middle of the previous calendar year (example: 2011 Cadillac CTS Coupes became available in July 2010). With that in mind, the 2013 Corvette would probably become available mid-2012 which would lead me to believe that the car itself would debut as early as the 2011 North American International Auto Show in Detroit or as late as the 2011 LA Auto Show.

waxing \WAK-sing\, verb:

1. To increase in extent, quantity, intensity or power.
2. (Of the moon) to increase in the extent of its illuminated portion before the full moon.
3. To grow or become. We move into the waxing moontime of our lives with an enthusiastic impatience for life beyond the family.

-- Nancy VanArsdall, Coming Full Circle:
Honoring the Rhythms of Relationships
New York spot gold prices softened a bit Friday afternoon after showing strength earlier in the day, waxing and waning amid the mix of positive domestic news and uncertainties over Europe's expensive debt rescue plan.

-- "Spot Gold Prices: Waxing and Waning",
TheStreet.com
Waxing often refers specifically to the moon (the increase in the size of its illuminated portion prior to the full moon), but is often put to general use.
Often paired with wane, "to decrease in intensity."

matriculate \muh-TRIK-yuh-leyt\, verb:

1. To enroll in a college or university as a candidate for a degree.
2. To register (a coat of arms), used esp. in Scottish heraldry.

"In Mr. White's current role as dean of students, he has worked closely with students, parents and alumni of Saint John's, as well as administrators and athletic directors from other surrounding schools," school official s said in the announcement. "White's commitment to the concept of the 'student-athlete' will serve our students well as they matriculate to college, while his commitment to character formation will serve our students well as they

prepare for life."

-- Joan Goodchild, New athletic director takes reins at St. John's High School, The Community of Advocate of Massachusetts

It was true that there was a difference in the regulations applicable to these two institutions; but the difference was more apparent than real; there was little difference in fact. In the University of Cambridge, persons might matriculate without subscribing to the Thirty-nine Articles, or without (he believed) taking the Oath of Supremacy.

-- Thomas C. Hansard, Parliamentary debates: official report, 1834

Matriculate derives from the Latin matrix, "list".

Skillet Vegetable Lasagna

From: Campbell's Kitchen

Prep: 10 minutes

Cook: 15 minutes

Serves: 4

Lasagna usually takes hours to make, but this scrumptious vegetable lasagna is made in the skillet in less than 30 minutes.

Ingredients:

- 2 3/4 cups Swanson® Vegetable Broth (Regular or Certified Organic)
- 15 uncooked oven-ready (no-boil) lasagna noodles
- 1 can (10 3/4 ounces) Campbell's® Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup (Regular or 98% Fat Free)
- 1 can (about 14.5 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach thawed and well drained
- 1 cup ricotta cheese
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (about 4 ounces)

Directions:

Heat the broth in a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat to a boil. Break the noodles into pieces and add to the broth. Reduce the heat to low. Cook for 3 minutes or until the noodles are tender.

Stir the soup, tomatoes and spinach in the skillet. Cook for 5 minutes or until the mixture is hot and bubbling.

Remove the skillet from the heat. Spoon the ricotta cheese on top and sprinkle with the mozzarella cheese.

Recipe Tips:

Tip: You can try using 4 ounces mozzarella cut into very thin slices instead of the shredded mozzarella.



If you want something to appear in the Newsletter, feel free to e-mail the information to Edgar. Or email direct to the Editor.
