

THE ENLIGHT'NER
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PRESIDENT-----LINDA GILBERT
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Activities-----All Members
Web Master-----Bill Amman
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Car Shows-----Dave Overton
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MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Jun 11 Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Jun 25 Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Jul 9 Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

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

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

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

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

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

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

See Calendar of events. Located on our WEB page.

June Birthdays

- 1 Dale McAtee
- 4 Sandy Overton,
Cindy Verge
- 9 Richard Ryan
- 10 Bryan Pierson
- 14 Bill Ruch, David Putnam
- 26 Kathy Hammer

June Anniversaries

- 2 Susan & Jack Harrison
- 11 Jim & Mary Baumann
- 12 Dave & Debbie Thomason
- 22 Russ & Norah Osenbach

Minutes

Minutes of May 14, 2013 Meeting at Mt Vernon Denny's

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

Members in attendance were (34). Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Paul Borgen, Mona Brown, Dick & Betty Carey, Frank & Maureen DePuy, Jack Duncan & Joann, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Susan & Jack Harrison, Gene & Doris Hitt, Ann Humphreys, Dale & Patti McAtee, Joanne & Brian Olson, Rod Olson, Russ Osenbach, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Roger Tenbrink.

The minutes of the April 23, 2013 meeting at Village Pizza in Anacortes were read and approved with one exception, the Lyman car show is July 13 not June.

The Treasurer's report was given.

Membership (59)

OLD Business:

Foothills Toyota show & shine. Sunny & warm. 19 MGCC members participated. Lenny & Dave O. took home trophies.

We have more new radios. Let us know if you need one. Thanks to Jim & June for having the mailing party at their place.

Thanks to Paul & Rissa for having the trailer party at their place.

Jack Duncan told us about the Wenatchee Valley Corvette Club's show.

At JJ Cruizer's April Showers show, Dave Overton, Doug, Mel, and Bryan Pierson took home trophies.

Barb has new rosters if you need one.

New Club cards are available.

NEW Business:

June 1 is our All Corvette Show in Anacortes. Guys parking cars will have vests to wear. Be there by 7 AM and remember to bring your radios. The club trailer will be parked on Friday night

We talked about having the picture guy, who was at the Foothills show & shine, come to our show.

Lenny talked about the Lake Tahoe show June 13-16. 4th of July parade in Anacortes. Meet at Dave Overton's between 9:00 & 9:30 AM.

July 13th is the Lyman Car Show. \$10 if you pre-register and \$15 day of show. Meet at Mt Vernon Petco 7 AM. Joanne Olson told us Plow Day is August 31st.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Joker's up was won by Barb Strowbridge.

Next meeting is May. 28, 2013 at Village Pizza in Anacortes.

Minutes of May 28, 2013 Meeting at Village Pizza Anacortes

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

Members in attendance were (31). Bill & Karen Amman, Jerry Bacon, Paul Borgen, Mona Brown, Dick & Betty Carey, Bill & Mary Ann Chellis, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Jack Harrison, Gene & Doris Hitt, Ann Humphreys, John & Therese Kingsbury, John & Cythia Lucke, Joanne Olson, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Marlin Sevy, Ron & Linda Telles, Cindy Verge.

The minutes of the May 14, 2013 meeting at Mt Vernon Denny's were read and approved with one correction, at the JJ Cruizer's April Showers show, Dave Overton, Doug, Mel, and Bryan Pierson attended, but did not receive trophies.

The Treasurer's report was given.

Membership (59)

OLD Business:

New Club radios are still available.

June 1st & 2nd. Our shows at Anacortes Waterfront Festival. The trailer will be in place early Saturday morning. Be at the show by 7 A.M. Bring your radios. Guys will wear their yellow shirts and gals will wear their aqua shirts. Guys parking cars will also wear a vest. For those who don't want their cars to be voted on, we will

provide signs saying "Host Car" to place on your dash. The above things apply also for our Sunday show. After the show on Saturday we'll go to Randy's Pier 51 for dinner. After Sunday's show we will go to the casino for dinner.

June 13-16 Lake Tahoe show. Contact Lenny Angello. 4th of July parade. Meet at Dave Overton's 9-9:30 AM. Jerry Smith show is July 28, be there at 9:AM.

NEW Business:

Dave Overton told us about Cruizing Colby last weekend. He received a small trophy.

Doug said the club has made a \$100 donation to the Anacortes Museum.

Skagit Valley College Show is June 8th.

Twin City Idlers show is June 30th. Meet at Petco in Mt Vernon at 7:30 AM.

Berry Cool car show is June 16th Meet at Mt Vernon Petco at 8 AM.

Cindy Verge told us about the Montana Car Show.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Joker's up was won by Sandy Ruch.

Next meeting is June 11, 2013 at Mt Vernon Denny's.

blighter \BLAHY-ter\, noun British Slang.:

1. a chap; bloke.

noun:

1. a contemptible, worthless person, especially a man; scoundrel or rascal.

The blighter had shoulders fully as broad as the girl was high, and legs like a dragon.

-- E.E. Knight, *Dragon Outcast*, 2007

I was sorry for the poor blighter, but after all, I reflected, a chappie who had lived all his life with Lady Malvem, in a small village in the interior of Shropshire, wouldn't have much to kick at in a prison.

-- P.G. Wodehouse, "Jeeves and The Unbidden Guest," *Enter Jeeves*, 1916

Lord Clive was a blighter and so were most of the other viceroys.

Blighters ask for bribes; blighters try to cheat the Accounts Department...

-- Paul Theroux, *The Great Railway Bazaar*, 2006

Blighter entered English in the early 1800s as a variation on the more common word blight, which is of unknown origin.

dandy \DAN-dee\, noun:

1. Informal. something or someone of exceptional or first-rate quality: Your reply was a dandy.
2. a man who is excessively concerned about his clothes and appearance; a fop.

adjective:

1. characteristic of a dandy; foppish.
2. Informal. fine; excellent; first-rate: a dandy vacation spot.

But I actually was fine and dandy. I didn't have to put it on.

-- Saul Bellow, *Humboldt's Gift*, 1975

Oh, will you? Oh, won't that be just dandy? Now I just know I can get that coat. I just know they'll let me have it, if I talk to them right.

-- Theodore Dreiser, *An American Tragedy*, 1925

Yankee Doodle keep it up, Yankee Doodle dandy...

-- Traditional, 1770?

The origin of dandy is unknown, but it arose in the late 1700s on the Scottish border. Its popularity reached an all-time high at the turn of the twentieth century.

If you want something to appear in the Newsletter, feel free to E-mail the information to the Newsletter Editor.

**IT'S DUES TIME!!!!
Please contact Doug Gilbert.**

These will make you smile!

HOLY HUMOR

During these serious and troubled times, people of all faiths should remember these four great religious truths:

1. Muslims do not recognize Jews as God's Chosen People.
2. Jews do not recognize Jesus as the Messiah.
3. Protestants do not recognize the Pope as the leader of the Christian world.
4. Baptists do not recognize each other at the liquor store.

GOOD SAMARITAN

A Sunday school teacher was telling her class the story of the Good Samaritan.

She asked the class, "If you saw a person lying on the roadside, all wounded and

Bleeding, what would you do?"

A thoughtful little girl broke the hushed silence, "I think I'd throw up."

DID NOAH FISH?

A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?"

"No," replied Johnny. "How could he, with just two worms."

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible - Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task - but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line.

On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Ricky was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know.

UNANSWERED PRAYER

The preacher's 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why.

"Well, Honey," he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon."

"How come He doesn't answer it?" she asked.

BEING THANKFUL

A Rabbi said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?"

The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

ALL MEN / ALL GIRLS

When my daughter, Kelli, said her bedtime prayers, she would bless every family member, every friend, and every animal (current and past). For several weeks, after we had finished the nightly prayer, Kelli would say, "And all girls."

This soon became part of her nightly routine, to include this closing. My curiosity got the best of me and I asked her, "Kelli, why do you always add the part about all girls?"

Her response, "Because everybody always finish their prayers by saying 'All Men!'"

SAY A PRAYER

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away.

"Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer." said his mother.

"I don't need to," the boy replied.

"Of course, you do" his mother insisted. "We always say a prayer before eating at our house."

"That's at our house." Johnny explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook.

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

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- 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.

Pretzels

1 Bottle Orville Redenbacher Butter
Flavored Popcorn Oil
2lb pretzels (any size or kind)
1/2 teaspoon onion powder
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
2 teaspoons dill weed
1/2 package Hidden Valley Ranch Salad Dressing Mix (you can also use a whole pack)

Mix all ingredients together. Put 2lbs of pretzels in two 1 gallon zip lock bags (1lb in each bag). Pour 1/2 of ingredient mix in each bag. Leave in bags for 24 hours. Turn bags occasionally to spread mixture of pretzels.

June 14th Flag Day



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