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Correction:

Bill Ball pointed out that the first C6 was 2004, not 2005 as listed in the CMCS distribution by series in the September Issue. Based on numbers from Mike Roylance's statics, CMCS has 5 2004 Vettes, so the total C5 count drops to 62 and the total C6 count goes up to 49.

Cover Story - Lyal & Susan Schlotterbeck's 2002 Coupe



Susan and I have lived in the Puget Sound area most of our lives. Susan grew up in Burien. I was born and raised in Tacoma. I moved to Renton in 1982 after I met Susan.

During the summer of 2001 I went for a test drive in a used 2001 Corvette coupe with only 1000 miles on it. The previous owner wanted a new Z06 and traded in this

beautiful ride. I wanted to think it over for a couple of days, but when I returned it was sold. After driving this Corvette I had to have one. The search was on to find the perfect Corvette. What options, what color, coupe or convertible, Z or not? Oh the decisions!

We finally settled on a 2002 coupe. Now what color did we want,? After looking at the available colors from Chevrolet on our computer we finally saw the color we wanted in the showroom of a dealership. In November 2001 we purchased our **2002 Magnetic Red II coupe**.



We joined CMCS in the spring of 2002. Since then we have participated in many club events, including several North Cascade Loop Tours, School Daze driving event and several RAD tours.

In the spring of 2006 I installed an STS twin turbo system in the car over the course of a weekend, it was a very long weekend but I did get it done. The following week it was dyno-tuned. The STS twin turbos boosted the horse power from 300 RWHP to 460 RWHP and RW torque to 450.

After the engine lost compression in one cylinder, I decided to install a new engine with upgraded parts: forged pistons, hellfire rings, Eagle H beam connecting rods and of course a performance cam.

This winter I plan to upgrade the transmission.

CMCS *General Meeting*

Old Country Buffet - Lynnwood



4601 200th St SW
Saturday October 24th

Buffet at 9 am (\$6 plus tax)

Meeting at 9:45 am

(You may attend the meeting without eating)

Info: Ken Jones

Ken@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

Mystery tour (northbound) after the meeting. Corvette Roads and an Autumn theme. Bring your radios.

Northbound I-5: Exit 181A, Left onto 44th Ave W, Left onto 200th.

Southbound I-5: Exit 181, Right onto 196th St SW, Left onto 44th Ave W, Right onto 200th.

CMCS *Board Meeting*

Thursday October 15th @ 6 pm

Lee Johnson Chevrolet (Mazda building)

AI@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



Upcoming Activities

Note: CMCS Event Dates are in Red *October 2009*

10/3 Issaquah Salmon Days Parade. (See page 12 in this newsletter)

10/15 [CMCS Board Meeting](#) (See page 5 in this newsletter)

10/24 [CMCS General Meeting](#) (See page 5 in this newsletter)

November 2009

11/7 [NWACC Banquet Information](#) (See page 24 in this newsletter)

11/14 [CMCS Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Auction & November General Meeting](#) (See page 21 in this newsletter)

December 2009

12/13 [Annual Christmas Party & General Meeting](#)
(See page 16 in this newsletter)

NOTE: CMCS does not have a board meeting in December

February 2010

2/26-28 Wet Weekend. 45th Annual. Astoria Oregon. Save the date.

July 2010

7/16-18 Deschutes River Run 2010 in Sisters, OR by High Desert Corvettes.
Save the Date! Event Info: www.highdesertcorvettes.com
(CMCS group tour info: TBD)

September 2010

9/10-12 [Seattle in September 2010](#) (See page 13 in this newsletter)



*by President
Dennis
Montgomery*

Marque My Words



October already! Summer may be behind us but what a great summer it was. With events such as the Fabulous Fifties Tour, Vette Ride for Veterans, School Daze, the Mill Creek All Corvette Show n' Shine, the XXX All Corvette Show n' Shine and Burger Bash, the Ferrous Fanny Tour, the Wine Tour, the Cascade Loop, the Greenwood Parade, the Magnolia Parade, the Torchlight Parade, the Chinatown Parade and many, many other CMCS and other Corvette clubs' events, this was a full summer! Boredom is not an issue with CMCS members!

As we go into the coming months it is time to start thinking about running for a CMCS Board Position as an officer. Vice President Al Dager will give you more information on this process but it is not too early for you to start considering it. Serving on the board is a terrific way to be involved with the club and meet some great folks. We strive to keep having new members on the board to keep the ideas fresh and the club vibrant. Just get in touch with Al if you want to know more about the process. All offices, except One-Year Board Member and Past-President are open for candidates.

Speaking of Al Dager, I would like to give him a tip-of-the-hat for the untiring efforts he and his wife, Jean, put forth for the club. It is hard to imagine anyone who has been more involved with the club more than the Dagers. They have quietly always "been there" when it is time to organize a tour, run the 4th of July event, serve as officers, provide their home for meetings, participate in parades and the list goes on and on. It is people like these who make the club what it is. Their involvement with the club has made CMCS a better club and we really appreciate the Dagers. Thanks Al and Jean!

The next few months will be fun ones. The Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction is a great CMCS event and combines a General Meeting, Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction into one fun-filled night. The auction proceeds are the

main source of revenue for CMCS's charity efforts and your participation will help make it even better. Auction items in the past have ranged from car related items, books, travel and food certificates and many other things. The auction was originally an auction of baked items made by CMCS members and has grown to an auction of all sorts of things. You owe it to yourself to attend in November and see what is in store this year! I can guarantee you that there will be baked items that are out of this world!

Then, in December, we have our annual Christmas Party and General Meeting. Also a fun time and an opportunity to dress-up, enjoy a great meal and spend time with fellow CMCS members. More information will follow on this event.

We look forward to seeing all of you at upcoming events and appreciate your support. We especially welcome our new members this year and we are really pleased with the growth of the club over the year. We remain among the largest Corvette clubs in the country and are proud of our members ... keep up the good work!



Cascade Loop Tour - Event Report

by Rick Milsow

Thirteen Corvettes set out on September 19th for the 2009 Cascade Loop. It was a cool and rainy start, only the second time in the ten years we have been leading the Loop. By the time we arrived at Stevens Pass the wind had picked up and our spirits were a bit dampened, but after several people made a trip to the boys and girls room we pressed on.

By the time we arrived in Leavenworth the clouds had parted and the sun had made its debut. Everyone scattered for lunch and reconvened at Dan's Market parking lot. We were joined by Mel and George from Twisp. They had contacted me through our website and I encouraged them to join our tour. Mel once owned a 63 split window coupe and was approached for membership by the CMCS during its first year of existence. George had driven his 2009 Atomic Orange coupe, with Mel riding, down from Twisp and came along with us for the trip back.

Leavenworth to Winthrop was full of nice weather, great scenery and one big apple truck that several got stuck behind from Wenatchee to Chelan. We arrived in Winthrop on time to a breezy afternoon. After checking in Bob Renner went down town to purchase some wine. Now you would think that a guy who is a wine maker would bring some of his own juice. A missed marketing moment for sure. Bob's choices in wines were excellent along with a bottle of Cabernet/Syrah blend that Rick provided and a bottle of 2 Buck Chuck that someone added to the mix. Several people gathered at the picnic tables in back of the Winthrop Inn to talk about anything and everything before dinner.

We all walked over to the Burnt Finger BBQ where we were treated royally by Pat Hennen and his famous ribs. After we ate way too much we found our way back to the Inn and some of us helped Bob with some of his wine purchase. Note to Bob: next time we would like to taste some of your wine.

Sunday was a great day. Some went to town for breakfast while Bob Eaton cleaned and polished his car. Chris vonRavensberg thought his ZR1 was looking bad so he talked the motel manager into letting him wash his car in the back lot and before we left Bob Eaton had to finish off his car with a wash just as we headed out of the parking lot.

Leaving town we noticed several Ferraris coming from the Sun Mountain Lodge. Turns out they had a big two day gathering that was ending Sunday. We would see them throughout the day as it turned out.



Our drive from Winthrop to the Diablo Lookout was filled with great scenery, some cool temperatures for those with the convertible tops down, and one big RV from Alaska that wouldn't let us by. When we arrived at the lookout we were greeted by several of the Ferraris from Sun Mountain Lodge. While we walked around more Ferraris arrived along with a Lamborghini. Several of us exchanged car talk with the drivers and noted that many were from British Columbia.

After most of the Ferraris left, we headed out for Darrington thinking that would be the last we would see of them.

Not so, as we were headed into Darrington we noted a Sheriff's car with one of the Ferraris pulled over to the side of the road. No doubt they were talking over the finer points of the Italian made 360 Modena and its Ferrari red paint scheme. I understand the driver was interested in making a contribution of some of his Canadian money to the Snohomish County and the State of Washington. What a fine gesture from our well healed friends from the North. Going through Darrington we were greeted by the rest of the Ferrari owners from BC who were waiting for their friend.

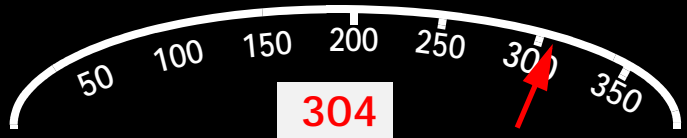


We had lunch at the Glacier Peak Café and because of a mix-up on ordering, sorry, we left without having tasted their homemade pies. This only made the stop at the Ranch Drive Inn more important. That concluded the Cascade Loop 2009.



The Membership Tachometer

by Lorrie Montgomery



Our September General Membership Meeting was held on September 12th at Alfie's Pizza in Lynnwood. The really warm, end of summer day brought out a full house of members. It also brought us 10 new members. Membership total is now **304**.



John DeVore joins us from Redmond. Everyone was anxious to get to the parking lot to see his beautiful new **2009 Red Callaway Coupe**, which he recently purchased from Lee Johnson Chevrolet. John is a member of the West Washington Firebirds Golf, and is excited about getting away from work to join us on some tours in his new Callaway. Welcome John!

Max Bettman lives in Lake Forest Park and is retired from the USPS. He is originally from the South Bay area of Los Angeles, but came to his senses about 30 years ago and moved to Seattle! Max has a **2004 Spiral Grey Coupe** and can't wait to get out and join in our fun. Welcome Max!



Jeff Sandquist joins us from Fall City. Jeff has a **2009 Crystal Red Coupe**. Over the last few months he had been talking with his wife about checking out a Corvette Club, so she went shopping and sent him over to see us! He decided that we were having such fun that he'd like to be part of this group ... and we're glad he is! Welcome Jeff!

Frank & Sarah Lloyd are from Sammamish and have a **2005 Victory Red Coupe**. Frank's first sports car was a 1972 Vette but he admitted he strayed to Porsches for a short time, but came to his senses once again. He and Sarah love traveling in their Corvette and flying in private planes, and spending time with their big family. Sarah was unable to be with us, but we enjoyed meeting Frank so much that we went ahead and voted Sarah in! Welcome Frank and Sarah!



More New Members



Scott & Sharon White live in Snohomish and have a 2009 Cyber grey convertible. This is not their first Corvette however; they had a 2004 Silver Corvette but then saw the **2004 Z06** and had to have one of those. When the cyber grey came out, they decided it was time for a new one. Now, maybe you can see some similarities with another new member, Mark White. If Scott shaves his beard off, we're going to have a heck of a time telling

the two brothers apart! Welcome Scott and Sharon!

Mark & Linda White join us from Lynnwood. They have a **2008 Jet Stream Blue Coupe** and it seems that they've had it out on the road to give it a little speed test! They too have a big family including 3 adult children and a bunch of grandchildren. They spend their non-Corvette time buying, selling and trading antiques. Mark is also a member of the Oregon Knife Collectors Association, so you might want to be your sharpest around him! Welcome Mark and Linda!



Please help me welcome these new members. When you see someone you don't know, please introduce yourselves! Great way to make a new Corvette friend! **Until next month ... Save the Wave!**

October Birthdays

Dick Shimanek	1	Al Dager	10	Mark VerMurlen	18
Sheri Orahood	2	Joe Showaker	11	Donald Gardner	19
Ron Schmaltz	2	Joyce Bear	12	Ed Moore	25
Seth Sanusi	5	Roger Tenbrink	14	Gary Orahood	29
Stephen Yabroff	6	Larry Hilliard	17	Michelle Fraser	31
Shari Maddy	7	John Charpentier	18		
Michael Paulino	7	Ken Vannice	18		



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The “business” UHF radios that the Club uses to coordinate tours are available for purchase from CMCS. This is a Club courtesy/benefit to make it easier for you to join in the communications during the Club caravans and tours.

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Parades
by Jim McDonnell
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Saturday October 3 - Issaquah Salmon Days Festival Parade
Wowzer! Another parade year is just about over. The wonderful Issaquah Salmon Days Festival Parade is our last parade for the year.

We carry no dignitaries or celebrities, so all Vettes are welcome: hardtops, coupes and convertibles.

On Saturday we meet near Home Depot in Issaquah. It just so happens the Krispy Kream Doughnuts and Starbucks make a nice triangle around the parking lot. We meet at 8 am. By 8:30 we move to the first staging area. The parade starts shortly after 10 am and is about a mile up Gilman Boulevard. Be thinking good weather.

After the parade we drive to Newcastle Golf Club for lunch. Generally there is about 25 of us so let me know if you plan to attend, as I need to make reservations, or rather give them an advance notice. They always enjoy having us, and the view, no matter what the weather, is beautiful. The Tacoma Corvette Club may join us.

Classified Advertising

For Sale: 1989 Black Coupe, 6 speed, smoke roof, well maintained. Stock wheels and C-5 Z06 wheels. Aftermarket \$800 alarm system with motion sensor. Jim McDonnell
(425) 753-6658.
\$9,000 (Reduced Price)



For Sale: white convertible soft top that fits the 86 thru 93 C-4s with the plastic rear window. It was purchased years ago from Mid America and is still in its original shipping package. \$175
Frank Diss (CMCS Member) (425) 334-8133 fsdiss@comcast.net

Seattle in September 2010

By Stan & Billi Trask

Stan@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



Mark your calendars now for

September 10 -12, 2010

so you don't miss the opportunity to be part of what has become the premier event for the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle! The 2010 version of

Seattle In September

will feature many of the tried and true events that have made this function so

popular in the past, with a few subtle changes here and there to keep things interesting and fresh!

Your SIS 2010 Committee has been working hard to ensure that SIS VI will offer many of the same great events you have come to know in the past at an exceptional value!

SIS 2010 will feature:

- The official event Hotel will be the Embassy Suites, Bellevue where every room is a 2 room suite and includes a Managers cocktail reception Friday and Saturday night and a cooked to order breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning included with your room registration.
- Friday Night Reception with a "Hawaiian Luau" theme and featuring the inaugural CMCS "Duck Races" which should provide some excitement to get the weekend event off and running!
- "Valve Cover Races" and a late night "Sleepless in Seattle Tour" are also back as part of the Friday night festivities!
- Saturday morning will feature a Poker Run that ends at our Show and Shine event. This year's event will be held at a very high profile and high visibility location as we grace the new "ShoWare Center" in Kent with all of our Corvette's!
- After the Show and Shine, make your way back to the Embassy Suites and get ready to board the busses to the Seattle waterfront. Our popular Argosy cruise and buffet dinner is back in 2010.

- Sunday Morning will be very exciting as we present awards and draw for raffle prizes where one lucky winner will win 7 days and 6 nights in a Maui beach front Condo as the grand prize in this year's raffle! Hence, the theme for the 2010 event is all Hawaiian – So dig all of your old Hawaiian attire out of storage and get ready to “get your hula on”.

Hotel and Event Registration information should be available in mid November, so watch this newsletter and the CMCS Web Site for more information!

Events this large only happen with months of careful planning and the expertise and help from people like you, our fellow club members. If you have helped in the planning of SIS in the past, we would appreciate your expertise again in 2010! If not, now is a great opportunity to become involved in a terrific event and meet many of your fellow club members in the process – If you would like to volunteer whatever amount of time or skills you can lend, please contact Stan or Billi at: SIS2010@CorvetteMarqueClub.com or Stan@CorvetteMarqueClub.com --



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Watch the monthly CMCS newsletter and the CMCS Web Site for updates and details on SIS 2010 as they become available! With your help and participation, Seattle In September 2010 will be another great event that all of us at CMCS will be proud of!

SIS 2010 Planning Meeting

Wednesday October 28, 2009

6:30-8 pm

Location to be announced.

Updated Membership Roster Prints in October

Is your membership information current in our database? Have you moved? Changed Corvettes? Look at the March roster to make sure everything is accurate. If not, send corrections to Gary Main ASAP Gary@corvettemarqueclub.com .

CMCS Wine Tour - Event Report

by *Lorrie Montgomery*



Labor Day weekend promised to be sunny and warm ... at least in Eastern Washington. and we weren't disappointed. Upon arriving at XXX Root Beer Drive-in Issaquah we were greeted by Jose who had Krispy Kreme donuts and coffee for us! He is such a generous man and always ready to send us off with a little sustenance. Fourteen Corvettes (one blue, one silver, two yellow and 10 Red) departed XXX for a great drive across Snoqualmie Pass and down the Canyon Highway to Yakima where we stopped for a "healthy" lunch at Miner's! Then on to visit some wineries before arriving in Prosser. We checked into our hotel, had some cheese and crackers then went across the street to Common Grounds for a very nice dinner. Their special was Prime Rib, which a number of us were looking forward to, but by the time we ordered, they were all out. They made up a bit with complementary Spumoni ice cream, so we figured we could have Prime Rib tomorrow night. We closed out the evening with a game of 31 with Genie Holt being in rare form and Gene Kinnunen taking all of our money! Lots of great laughs!

Saturday morning was warm and sunny, so we took off early for some local wineries then stopped to pick up sandwiches, which we took up to Vine Heart Winery for a picnic lunch with a beautiful view of the valley. Then off to visit more wineries with some people venturing out on their own and some following along with the group. We visited some new wineries and some that were old favorites like Desert Wind with their great gift shop. Our final stop of the day was at Kestrel Winery where Gene Kinnunen caught the attention of a bachelorette party, which also may have been at their final winery! Fun photo opportunities!

We all met back at the hotel for a rainy ride into Sunnyside for dinner. Without going into a lot of detail I must say that dinner was memorable. Couldn't think of another word that was printable, but suffice it to say that we had a little conversation with the management that evening and another chat with the owner after returning home. Oh, and we didn't get Prime Rib there either ... they were out!

Sunday morning was sunny and warm again, but we could see the rain clouds coming. So, just a few more wineries to visit, then off to Yakima for lunch and home to Seattle. All in all it was a great trip with the weather cooperating until the last day and lots of beautiful wineries to visit.

Our next wine tour will probably venture into a different area of Eastern Washington, so even if wine is not your beverage of choice, come join one of our wine tours. The weather is normally hot and dry, the scenery is beautiful, and the company couldn't be better. Lot's of things to do on your own or with the group.

Until next time ... Cheers!

Annual Christmas Party & General Meeting



Sunday December 13, 2009
Event Start: 1:30 pm (no-host bar)
Muckleshoot Casino-Chinook Room
2402 Auburn Way S.
Auburn, WA 98002
2:30 pm - Buffet Meal

\$28 per person includes tax and gratuity.

You must pre-register for this event.

Registration Deadline: December 6th.

Note to all: If you want to come to the meeting and not participate in the buffet, please feel free to do so.

Send your checks, written to CMCS to our CMCS address:
PO Box 534

Kirkland WA 98083-0534

Note: You can also now pay by credit or debit card to the CMCS treasurer, either in person or by telephone.

Info: Ken Jones Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

This annual Christmas event will be held in the Chinook Room. The Chinook Room is a very private, non-smoking banquet room separated from the casino. There will be a no-host bar available.

Dress: This is one of our "dressy" events. For men: Business Casual. For women: "Holiday Sparkle" is appropriate.



Canned Food Donation



Please bring cans of food for donation to
Renewal Food Bank in Bellevue.

This is one way the Club helps others less fortunate during the holiday season.

(There will be no gift exchange among Club members.)

Directions

From north of Auburn: Take Hiway 167 South
From south of Auburn: Take Hiway 167 North
Merge onto Hiway 18 E towards Auburn (1.5 mi)
Take Hiway 164 E exit towards Enumclaw (.1 mi)
Turn LEFT onto Auburn Way S/Hiway 164
Go 1.5 miles on Hwy 164 to the casino on your left.



Corvette Technical Tips

by Mike Roylance (2006 C6 Coupe)



I've heard that the C6 coupe ride with the top off can be improved if a little air is allowed to flow out the back of the hatch. My understanding is that this will reduce the amount of buffeting experienced in the cabin. I know that when I travel around with the top off I do find that there is a good bit of buffeting. I'm always grabbing my ball cap to ensure it doesn't fly off. They sell some clips that hold the hatch lid up a few inches to achieve this.



Here is a picture (left) of one for a convertible that cost \$54.95. Here is another (right) for a coupe for \$47.95. They look the same to me!



Here is a picture of what it looks like installed. I guess I'm too cheap to spend this kind of cash to try something I may not like. So today I headed down to my local Home Depot to pick up some stuff and continue my search for that perfect axle for my Valve Cover Racer wheels. I picked up some 1/8 inch bar stock to make my own clip. From the two shown here they just look like a piece of bar stock with either rubber coating or black paint that is bent and twisted to fit the pull down device on one end and the "D" ring end of the hatch on a C6 coupe. I figured I could bend my own.



Well during my wondering around (all men do this in hardware store ladies) I found the perfect clip to achieve the same effect at a whopping cost of \$2.69 plus tax. Made by Lehigh the SKU is #7000 on the package. It is shown as number 071514050003 on my receipt and is called a Swivel Snap. I opened the package and quickly snapped it into the open pull down, then grabbed the hatch pulled it down and connected the latch part of the snap to the "D" part of the hatch. I believe this snap is 3 1/2 inches long. I'm 6'2" and 290lbs so my hands are not small; I had no problem connecting this clip!

Here is a picture of what this looks like installed on my car. I headed home, the long way, up I-90 to test it at speed. From Issaquah to Preston there is a nice stretch where you can legally hit 70 mph and I'm pleased with the results. This is subjective by my seat-of-the-pants testing. I believe the wind buffeting was reduced significantly, not eliminated but highly reduced. Oh, no rattles or other noises noticed either, guess time will tell but for \$2.69 you can't go wrong. Plus I just clipped it to my storage net for safe keeping when not in use.



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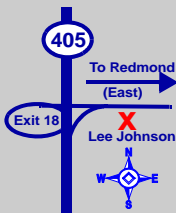
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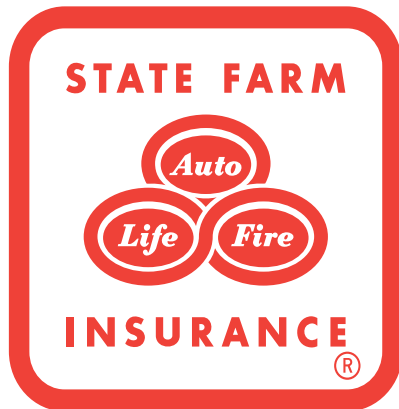
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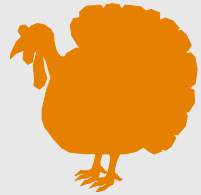
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6400 - 108th Ave NE, Kirkland*

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Holiday Craft & Baked Goods Auction

Please attend and donate to this yearly fund raiser for the club.

Bidding for items has become quite a sport--don't miss out on this fun competition!

Your donated items such as: Theme baskets, crafted projects, candies, cookies, bars, breads, pie--unlimited choices to make and bake will be auctioned and all proceeds from this auction will go to the Dee Ann Esping Charity for functions in 2010. There have been many families, children, veterans homes, and charities that have benefited from this event.

- ***Bake it** - Wrap it in clear plastic wrap, **Print your name** and the name of the treat on a 3x5 card (if it contains nuts, please so identify)
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Left onto NE 72nd PL
(becomes NE 68th St.)

Left onto 108 Ave NE (Sign says 6th St. S and 108 Ave NE)
Church is the second driveway past the fire station on Left



CMCS General Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2009

Alfy's Pizza in Lynnwood

By William Cameron

Meeting called to order at 1:45 pm by Dennis Montgomery

Board Members Present: Dennis Montgomery, Al Dager, Bill Cameron, Tim Cox, and Kevin Jewell, Ken Jones.

Vice President's Report: Al Dager, has club radios for sale. Al also asked member's to start thinking for running for a board position for the next board 2010.

Secretary Report: Bill Cameron asked for a motion to accept the general meeting minutes as published in the last newsletter. A motion was made and passed by a vote of members present.

Treasurer's Report: Tim Cox reported on the club financials.

Membership Report: Lorrie Montgomery introduced ten new prospective members to the club members present.

A motion was made to accept these potential members into the club a second and a vote of the club members present. Motion passed. You can acquaint yourself in the membership section of the October Newsletter.

Lorrie reported membership now stands at 304.

Lorrie also noted that Mona Cox was handling the item sales portion of the membership duties.

Seattle in September: Stan and Billie Trask co-chairman for the 2010 SIS announced the event will be September 10th/11th/12th/2010.

Location still not set as of yet. They also asked members interested to help out on a committee please sign up and come to the next SIS meeting at Round Table Pizza in Overlake just behind the Sears store September 15th. Location has been negotiated it will be held at the Embassy Suites in Bellevue (Eastgate area).

Activities Report:

Cascade Loop Tour Sept. 19th and 20th.

Charity Report: Marty Cameron again put out a call for members to make lap blankets for the Veterans. She also announced that the annual Thanksgiving auction and dinner will be November 14th.

NWACC Report: Tim Cox announced that our club is sponsoring the up coming NWACC Banquet this year. The function will be held at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. On November 7th. Dinner and awards will be given out. The cost for this will be \$25.00 per person.

Adopt-A-Highway Report: None

Newsletter Report: Oran Petersen, needs cover cars and Bio's for newsletter.

NCRS Report: Next function will be October 3rd in Wilsonville Oregon.

NCM Report: No report

Parades Report: Jim McDonnell said the last parade of the year will be at Salmon Days in Issaquah on October 3rd.

Old Business: Working on website up date with Bob Bunn. Club sponsor questionnaire will be coming out.

New Business: None

50/50 drawing \$156 of which \$78 goes to Shoreline Community College fund and \$78 was won by Bill Cameron.

Raffle drawing was won by Doris Wagner, a very nice lantern in the event of a power failure.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Cameron, Secretary

50/50 Charity Fund Drawing

By Jack Goodman & Claudia Simmons



At our Monthly CMCS General Meeting 50/50 tickets are available for a dollar each. Half goes toward our scholarship fund for the Shoreline Community College Automotive Program. The remaining half goes to the lucky one holding the ticket number drawn. The more tickets bought the bigger the pot. For the September 12th General Meeting we collected \$156.

\$78 went to Bill Cameron.

\$78 went to the Scholarship fund

NWACC Banquet Information

For this [registration form](#) and additional information go to the CMCS Web Site [Events>CMCS Flyers/Forms](#).

Year End Banquet



2009

North West Association of Corvette Clubs

Where: Muckleshoot Casino, Auburn, WA
When: November 7, 2009 5:30-10:00 PM

What: Sumptuous Dinner Buffet and
Seasonal Awards Presentations

Cost: \$25.00 Per Person

Raffles

Prizes

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Club: _____

Email address: _____

(necessary for reservation acknowledgment)

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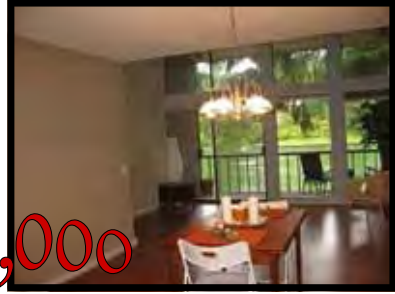
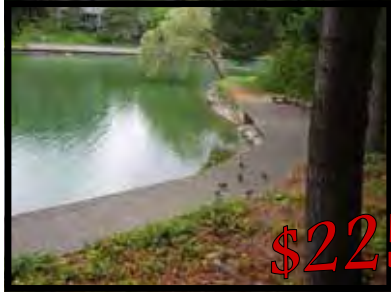
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Laps From the Past or “Marque in Time” A CMCS history feature by Ben Benninghoff



40 LAPS AGO: October '69. The monthly meeting was held at the Golden Tides Restaurant. The Treasurer notes positive cash flow with all bills paid, but reminded the others that our main club sponsor, Alan Green Chevrolet was no longer funding our newsletter publication and mailing costs. Currently we are experiencing general fund losses of \$300 to cover the newsletter over the last 6 months. Dave Grant, Mike Gibben, and Ken & Ruth Bogel are all voted into full membership bringing the total to 73 members; 11 new members for the year so far. The club bulletin board at Alan Green's is current, and Rallye flyers are being sent out to members. Ron McDuffie is interested in hearing from club members in respect to WWSCC changes in Autocross classes. The Alhambra Winery Tour near Yakima, and Guerneville 200 were well attended. A club plaque was sent to South Africa at the request of a correspondent. The cost for the upcoming Halloween Party is \$1.00 per person hosted by Marilyn Thomas on November 1. The Awards Banquet is scheduled for March, Christmas Party will be held at the Hilton Inn on Saturday, December 13th. Newsletter editor notes more articles are needed for the next edition. John Garrison of Garrison Associates was the guest speaker for the evening.

30 LAPS AGO: October '79. President Ernie Kahler presides over the monthly meeting held at the Old Ballard Fire House in Ballard. WWSCC's October meeting for rule changes. Awards Banquet will be held at the Thunderbird Inn in Bellevue on January 12th. Proposed changes will include a membership dues increase from \$15 to \$20. Kevin C. made a motion to accept the new dues rate, seconded and voted to support the motion. Joe Oaks notes he's thinking of running for NWACC Secretary or Vice President; Wendy Hodges motions that CMCS should throw its support for Joe's election. Joe also notes our club needs to renew its membership (\$35.00) to NWACC, and, that the trophy fund is in need of funding due to low participation this year. Noreen Millen motions for the club to support both subjects and the membership at hand agrees. The yearend NWACC Banquet will be held in Salem, Oregon on November 3rd. Two club members won first place in their respective autocross classes; Joe Oaks in Street Stock, and Jim Hobbs in B-1. No new members but there are currently 104 club members in CMCS. Newsletter editor, Frank O., mentions he is in need of articles for the next newsletter publication. The SIR Practice Sessions have been revised. Ernie expressed regret that he was unable to find 4 other Corvette drivers from the club to support the Highline H.S. homecoming

parade, so we were not able to help the kids in their ceremonies. A Poker Party is being organized at the Millen's home on Saturday November 17th. The Beachwood Resort has been secured for the next Wet Weekend outing in February, and Fort Flagler is reserved for next July the 4th. Nominations and elections held for the positions that were left vacant as a result of Joyce Bear, Steve Forbes, and Len Hodges quitting. Those filling those positions are; Dee Esping-Treasurer, Noreen Millen-2year Board Officer, and, Cece Nelson-Past President. The new amendment to the club's Constitution and By-Laws concerning creating a new position of Associate Member was explained in detail by Frank O. A motion was made by Judy Artley to accept the amendment as printed, and voted by present quorum it was passed.

20 LAPS AGO: October '89. President Jan Cockrum gets the monthly meeting started following dinner at the Blockhouse Restaurant, where 42 club members and prospective attended. Membership stands at 107. Year end banquet for NWACC was held in Kelso, WA. on October 28th. A club tour was organized to visit Levenworth, WA. And a Halloween Party was held at the home of Frank Breese and Karen Fourtiers where several of the brave and adventurous bobbed for apples in the hot tub. Christmas Party has been secured for Christopher's Restaurant in Bellevue for December 16th. The 26th Wet Weekend at The Resort at Port Ludlow will be hosted by Jan Cockrum in February 23-25 and is taking reservations; do a blind man's dinghy race, share in a pot luck dinner, and a good old fashion roaring good time for \$75 a night. CMCS has been without a main sponsor for a few months. We now have 3; Rick Stark Enterprises, Western Corvette Supply, and, Lee Johnson Chevrolet in Kirkland. A representative from Pennzoil provided door prizes and gave a talk on their product line to finish out the evening.

10 LAPS AGO: October '99. Steve & Maureen Barbee's 1991Turquoise Metallic 6-speed coupe is featured on the newsletter's cover. President Frank DePuy oversees the club's business conducted at our sponsor's business place; Western Corvette Supply in Lynnwood. Six new members were voted in to full membership; Todd Dooly, Michael & Marcia Hundahl, Dave Mayers, and John & Kathleen Behrens bringing the total to 203. Barbara Jackson and Alyshia Main are heading up the club outing to see The Christmas Carol play in December at the ACT Theater. Ticket costs are \$20.50 per ticket and she has acquired 36 for purchase. The club is once again taking canned food and non perishable items for our annual Northwest Harvest food bank drive until the Thanksgiving Banquet. Sixteen members come out for our quarterly "Ditch Party" highway clean up session hosted by Dave and Rachelle Woodcock where Rachelle put on one tremendous feed-bag on for the crew afterwards and compared roadside treasures discovered, some

finding their way into the ever expanding John Paul Nelson III's museum of Corvette related fine arts. Newsletter editor Cloyd Jackson notes he has run out of Tech articles. He will also begin printing the full newsletter for the next few months with his printer at home rather than half at Costco. He needs more members' Corvette photo's as well. Kayla Main reviewed the SIS 2000 event for the new members. A meeting was held on October 16 at the Shoreline Community College for more details and how the members can volunteer to help out. Rick Milsow asked for a show of hands those interested in attending a North Cascade Loop Tour once again and received an enthusiastic response. The club needs a volunteer to chair next year's SIR School Daze event by November this year at the latest. Club group photos are still available, see Greg Westford. Club members Steve & Robin have successfully moved to Texas and say hello, and say that Washington's weather is too cold. The meeting was adjourned for the following Winterizing Your Corvette program.

5 LAPS AGO: October '04. Carl & Sharon Neuswanger's 1978 25th Anniversary Edition Silver Two-Tone T-Top graces the newsletter's cover. Hey, wait a minute, isn't that Vince & Christine Perriello's Corvette?! Sure was ... nice to keep it "in the family!" President Tim Cox calls the monthly meeting to order after rounds of pizzas were consumed by all attending. Dick D'Alessandro reported on the club's financial wellness and Mona Cox notes membership at 310 following the adoption of nine new members just welcomed into the fold; David & Cheryal Heppner, Lonna Cardoza, Jack & Pam Ritterhouse, Tom & Nicole Nguyen-Marsh, and, Jack & Jamie Kay. Donna Blaylock finally attended where her husband, David, was accepted as members in September. Thanksgiving Banquet and Charity Auction will be hosted at the Kirkland Community Center on November 13. Christmas Party will be at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn on December 5th. Dave Woodcock is the focal for club participation at the Seattle roadster Show in March; the club has 10 spaces to show off our shiny steeds. Paul Luczyk is looking for members to step up for Board position elections for the coming year. Please let Mona Cox and or Gary Main if you have a change to your mailing address, e-mails, phones, or any other communication changes so we can update the club's records so you do not lose any vital information of a club's nature. The big 50/50 raffle of the evening was won by Dennis Montgomery, split with the Shoreline Community College's automotive student tuition fund we support.

More laps to come!

National Corvette Museum News

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>

by **Vince Perriello**

We Send Our Sincere Thanks!



Our 15th Anniversary Celebration was a huge success and we want to thank everyone who was a part of it! Most of all, we want to send a shout out to all the wonderful, dedicated volunteers who helped throughout the festivities. We truly could not have done it without you! To view photos of the event, see

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/labor_day/labor09/page01.shtml

We will be offering Aerial images of the Museum during the event as well. Stay tuned for more information!

Upcoming 2009 Events (Schedule At A Glance):

- **November 5-7, 2009** Vets 'n Vettes See

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/vetsnvettes/info.shtml>

Corvair Exhibit Coming to NCM

Visitors to the Museum this fall will get an extra special treat as we welcome 12 Corvairs to our Exhibit Hall.

October 2nd of this year marks the 50th anniversary of the unveiling of America's first massed produced rear engine, air cooled automobile, the Corvair. In recognizing this special time in automotive history the National Corvette Museum will host a 6,000 sq. ft. exhibit solely featuring the Corvair. The Corvair was produced from 1960 through 1969.

The exhibit is included with regular Museum admission and will be on display through December 31.

Hall of Fame Applications Now Accepted

The National Corvette Museum is now accepting applications for the 2010 Corvette Hall of Fame. Applications will be accepted through October 31, 2009. Any NCM Member can submit a nomination. Current board members and NCM staff are not eligible to be nominated. Qualified nominations are good through a three-year period.

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to get the nomination form.

National Corvette Museum 15th Anniversary Celebration **by John Thomas (CMCS member)**

Our Seattle-area group of the Pacific Northwest Caravan to this 15th Anniversary celebration departed from Lee Johnson Chevrolet at the appointed time of 7:15 am on Saturday, August 29. Chris and Leslie vonRavensberg had arranged for coffee and doughnuts, for rest rooms to be available at Lee Johnson, and spearheaded the effort to get the 28 Corvettes lined up for our start. Co-leader Chris carried out a large majority of the pre-trip coordination and he delivered most of the instructions at the driver's meeting. As the other co-leader I explained we would stop at the Indian John Hill Rest Stop and at the Prosser Rest Stop, where also large Chevron and Shell stations are available to fill with gas. With that refill most Corvettes should be able to reach Boise, although we were stopping in Pendleton for lunch and to meet up with the Portland and Spokane groups of the Pacific Northwest Caravan. I then led the group to these stops and we made Pendleton about 12:15 pm in good time for lunch and coordination activities.

Gilbert Chevrolet in Pendleton was most kind to provide lunch for the roughly 100 Corvettes in the Caravan at this point. Pacific Northwest Captain Bob Gunderman passed out credentials to the registered participants. The Caravan departed in subgroups to meet Valley Vette club members welcoming us as we came into Idaho. They led us to Boise Municipal Park where the Valley Vette club had set up a magnificent dinner for us, their club, and all those joining the Caravan at Boise. The next morning, Sunday, the Caravan went on to a brunch provided by the Snake River Corvettes in Jerome, just a few miles this side of Twin Falls. That marked the end of our free meals, but we had a good time at Miller Motorsports Park in the evening where they had kart racing going on before some 200 Corvettes got a parade lap (almost 2 laps) on the track and then a dinner, for which we had prepaid. The museum at Miller Motorsports Park is dedicated entirely to Ford automobiles, mostly Mustangs, Cobras and GT-40's. Larry Miller was evidently a Ford enthusiast.

At this point I want to point out that the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green is Mecca to the knowledgeable Corvette fans. I'll skip most of the details of the rest of the trip. I was lucky to hook up with 2 other cars as recommended in Caravan procedures. One was a Ron Fellows edition Z06 driven by CMCS member Mike Terry with his grandson Mitch as a co-driver and the other was a Le Mans blue C5 driven by prospective member Ken Anderson with his son Jeff as co-driver. We three seemed to be the only cars with CMCS radios. That made it easy for us to keep in contact. Ken had been most helpful to me leading the initial leg to Pendleton by his reporting of the status of the back half of the group. Since he had a co-driver, he could keep in touch with Chris and Leslie, who were running at the back of the group, by cell phone.

I chose to leave the Pacific Northwest Caravan at Blue Springs, Kansas. I went straight from there to Bowling Green, while most of the rest went to see Mid America in Effingham, Illinois. Thus, I was able to see the Museum when it was relatively quiet on Thursday morning and I worked a 4-hour shift as a volunteer that afternoon. The Museum provided lunch to the volunteers and I was able to sit down at the same table with Executive Director Wendell Strode, whom I have known since the days when he visited CMCS and was significant in recruiting me as a Lifetime Member of the Museum. It was nice to be able to renew the acquaintance. I had already chatted with Vince Perriello and Adam Boca (both Museum staff members, Vince a strong friend and former member of CMCS). I enjoyed my shift of volunteer work. I started out in Admissions, checking credentials of those entering the museum. Soon, FotoPix, the photographers who did all the official souvenir photography for the event, needed an assistant to walk their chips for the electronic cameras back and forth from the camera station to the computer/sales station. I volunteered for this job and got to know the photography team very well. I talked to them essentially every day as I visited the museum. The reason for my somewhat strange job was that in their usual setup at a site, they would snap photos near the entrance, let the visitors tour the site, and have them return to an exit adjacent to the entrance to purchase computer-processed images. However, the NCM has a configuration where the entrance and exit are widely separated so the photo team had to separate their two stations by several hundred feet. By the way, a reason that the NCM's exit is far from the entrance is that the exit leads into the gift shop—a clearly financial motivation for this arrangement.

Wendell Strode deserves a huge amount of the credit for making a financial success of the Museum. He has hired a top-notch staff to help him, and he has a large and dedicated volunteer board of directors. I saw Wendell at almost every event I attended (except the driving tour). On Thursday night there was the VIP/Lifetime member reception. Here Museum staff had arranged cash bars throughout the museum, and also had free appetizers or hors d'oeuvres or what turned out to be even heavier food. At the last food station where I arrived (and there is sense of direction to flow in the museum from entrance to exit) they served sliced hot corned beef, iced shrimp, with fixings. We all had to take a plate and figure how to eat this with a glass in hand, too. About this time I saw Dick and Jane Shimanek, CMCS members retired to Arizona, and also Paul Mushkin, who had been traveling with the Pacific Northwest Caravan from the beginning. I finally sat on the floor, following the example of another couple, who were Mark Skillman and his wife “MC” of Knoxville, Tennessee. I enjoyed my chat with them while we ate. There was even a dessert tray after that, so the reception provided a complete dinner.

Friday was the day of seminars for me. There were many tours going on that day, too, including one for which I had registered and paid, but I wanted to hear many of the seminars. I chose a seminar by Dave McLellan as my first and one by Dave Hill as my second. McLellan is always interesting and humorous. One story he told was especially interesting to me as a C4 ZR-1

owner. He reminded us that there had been a delay in release of early ZR-1's at a time of huge demand. Chevrolet had experienced several camshaft or camshaft bearing failures in their first few ZR-1 deliveries, so they halted deliveries and sent an engineer to the plant at Bowling Green to figure out what was the problem. After some days of investigation, the engineer found out that the transportation company, which trucked the ZR-1's from the factory, had a young woman employee who started the Corvettes and drove them onto the truck. She had a habit of flooring the gas pedal to start the engines. Of course, the practice of starting engines with foot to the floor had gone out many years earlier. In this case with almost new engines and cold oil drained mostly into the pan, the engines had immediate oil starvation around the overhead cams of the LT-5 4-overhead-cam engines and thus had high probability of failure. Dave Hill talked about the new GM and how he felt that it would be a successful organization. He encouraged his audience to tell their friends that GM is building great cars now. As a last seminar of the day, I listened to Wendell Strode talk about his vision for the future of the NCM. One of the surprising ideas to me is the plan for a large Motorsports Park adjacent to the Museum, just on the other side of I-65. The Board of Directors of NCM sees this as a large profit center. They are soliciting people to purchase acres in this Motorsports Park now at a price of \$15,000. You can buy as little as $\frac{1}{4}$ acre (for \$3750) and spread the payments over 5 years, so the cost will be only \$750 per year. This ownership will entitle you to some track time when the facility is ready.

Friday night was the annual Hall of Fame dinner for induction of the new members of the Corvette Hall of Fame. We had a great dinner and interesting introductions and videos about the new Hall of Fame members, Duane Bohnstedt, John Hinckley, and Tony DeLorenzo and Jerry Thompson. If I remember correctly Bohnstedt was a designer who worked with Harley Earl and Hinckley was a GM engineer who retired to become a noted sports car writer. (Hinckley is currently a writer of books and contributor to magazines. I chatted with him briefly in the waiting area where the cash bar was set up before dinner.) Of course DeLorenzo was the owner and Thompson the driver of the successful Owens-Corning sponsored Corvette race team of the 1970's. It was great to see all four of these fellows alive and well, albeit grayed compared to pictures.

For me Saturday was the day for a driving tour to the Bluegrass Museum with a super BBQ lunch at a place with a great local reputation called Midnight BBQ. I learned a lot about what is Bluegrass music, including one Bill Monroe, who is given credit for its origin. We enjoyed a 45-minute concert by a local Bluegrass group. As a bonus over what had been advertised for the tour, we had a brief stop at a rebuilding bourbon distillery, Charles Medley Distillers, before the lunch at Midnight BBQ. Also, I had been getting to know a Corvette club from southern Michigan almost every evening when I returned from my dinner to my Super 8 motel room. This club, The Legends, chose to plan their own activities and went on their own local tours. However, they were a very enjoyable and easy-to-talk-to group. So on this last night of

the Celebration, I suggested that I would like to join them and I would get Mike Terry and his grandson Mitch to come along. So we had a group of 17. The Legends group had chosen the restaurant, Rafferty's, as the place. When I called Mike to invite him, he realized that he was much closer to the restaurant than we were. So he got there in time to get us in line for seating for 17, which was very fortunate because all of Bowling Green was highly crowded with all the NCM 15th Anniversary celebrants. So we 3 CMCS and 14 Legends members had a memorable final dinner.

I have tried to give you a sense of what was done at the 15th Anniversary Celebration. There were at least twice as many things that I and most Corvette fans would like to do as could be done in the 3+ days of the celebration. I believe that is what will bring many of us back in another 5 years. Also, the Museum has great Corvettes on display. Some are permanent displays, and many others change with time. Many displays include fascinating historical items, such as the original crossed flag emblem intended for the first show of Corvette in 1952. This emblem included a U.S. flag. However, at the last minute GM legal staff informed the Corvette team that a U.S. flag could not be used in a commercial product, and so it was changed to the fleur-de-lis that went with the checkered flag in the Corvette emblem until the end of the C3 generation.

NCM Caravan - Event Report

submitted by Chris vonRavensberg (Author unknown)

We had 60-70 Vettes in Pendleton. The dealer was very nice but very few locals came to see the Vettes.

We had 100 Vettes in Boise. Fairly Reliable Bobs did a fantastic job here! Got a downpour to end it all but it felt good. The send-off the next day at the Double Tree went well and we beat the traffic.

The Jerome ID brunch stop was great and they had tons of fruit, yogurt and milk. The local Corvette group came out in force and put on a great stop! Drove down to the canyon to see where Evel Knievel did his jump.

There were 160 Vettes at Miller Motorsports in Salt Lake (plus about 20 that went to the hotels instead.) This was an amazing stop. Three original racing Cobras and a ton of additional Mustangs, GT 40 and paraph en alia all housed in a new big museum. We were led around the track by a polished aluminum Cobra. The complex cost about \$110 million. The guy loves Fords! Did not see one GM or Chrysler!

We lined up the cars 4 abreast on the track for photos and then took 2 laps. I reached 70 mph on the straightaway. Many did better. 160 cars filled the entire 3 1/2 mile track when we were driving single file! One minor casualty on the track. A C4 broke the transmission case accelerating on a turn.

The drive to Grand Junction allowed us to 'open up' the cars. On the straight leading from Price. I learned how quickly my car goes, since traffic was light. You could have checked your cars' top end if you trusted the road enough.

Grand Junction and the drive through the mountains of Colorado were great. Some took photographs at a rest stop. No issues at the tunnel this year (1 hour wait last time)

Had about 200 cars in Aurora at the sports park. Many were doing their own thing and never went there. I would guess we had only about 40% of the cars in Denver compared with 2003.

In Kansas everyone did their own thing. The Denver and N. California group got several tickets. Lots of police here.

If I do this again I would like to go north to I-80 from Denver on I-76 then through Nebraska to Lincoln and then through K.C. Much better roads, light traffic with nicer scenery and No COPS! Slightly longer but much more fun. Lincoln club put on an event for the KS/MO caravan this year and are a fun bunch.

The Stop at the St Louis Mills Mall was nice. This place is huge. Saw 2 new black ZR1s who came out for the day.

Blue Springs had REAL rain. My raincoat came in handy. Had a local dealer bring over doughnuts and a black 09 ZR1 they wanted to sell.

Effingham was fun. About 200 cars showed up. Got the tour of the museum and facilities. Got a picture of my car in front of the old gas station. Saw the C4 limo (for sale: \$30k) Had the band: The naked Sissies. Old guys who should not quit their day jobs.

Send off from Effingham the last day (more rain in Indiana. Also rain in Boise, Mountain Home ID, Blue Springs.) Gathered most together in Evansville for the final caravan. The Colorado group missed us. They partied late in Effingham the night before. We had local police to get us to the highway. We had a 3 police car Kentucky HP escort all the way to the NCM Door! I followed a silver C5 with a police light bar and tags driven by KHP. The last 40 cars got left at a light in Henderson. One of the cops was at the end and he caught up this group 10 miles over only 50 miles distance! They said they went 90-100 the whole time to catch us. These people had the best time! a group of 10 went for a tour of the countryside after missing a turn and never caught up.

We had about 150 cars drive past the new NCM entrance. Many left early and did not join the caravan. The Colorado people never caught us. We had only the Northwest and KS/MO caravans. N. Cal came in early on Thursday. We arrived about 2:30 pm (on time). The Evansville Corvette people did a great job.

Had 3000+ cars and 5000 people in B.G. The gift shop was swamped. The new addition is done and redo of the old part was incredible. They had a great interior decorator doing this. multiple car raffles were drawn.

I am guessing 25% of the NW group did not show. Talked to Texas they had 100 no shows (50%). Economy hurts but everyone had a great time. Looks like the gift shop did not suffer.

They had a Beatles group to end it all and they were very close to the original sound. They had been doing this for 26 years. I wonder if you knew that the original Beatles practiced 8 hours every day!

Heard about the NCM ambitions for a larger motorsports park on 300 acres with a 2.5 mile track. This would cost \$20 million. We have bought 70 acres so far. They have a one year option on the land needed to see if they can raise some major donations before they consider buying the land. This track would rent out to any group. I am not sure the economy can support this or that they will get the donations but we only have one year to wait to find out.

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