

## Chairman's Message by Mike Benner

We are well into 2011. Some parts of our economy are beginning to show signs of improvement. Consumers are starting to replace necessities and some good restaurants have waiting lists on the weekends. If world oil prices don't get out of control, the economy should continue to slowly grow.

The Puyallup Swap Meet was a great success this year. Larry Johnson, promoter, said 2011 brought out more vendors than ever. Most spaces were sold out. The customer attendance was up because of the better than usual weather. The vendors that participated said business was very good.

Tammy Shirley hosted the chapter membership booth in the main pavilion at the swap meet. Tammy said she has received applications from four new members. Good job Tammy and volunteers. The chapter held a meeting and dinner at Charlie's Place near the Puyallup fairgrounds. The event attracted 28 members.

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## MARCH 2011



### Judging Chairman Report by Wayne Loron

Our first judging meet will be on March 26, 2011 at Stewart Lowe's shop in Burien, WA. This will be a judging school/mini-meet. Two of our Chapter members will be bringing their 1965 coupes for this event. We would like to start by 8:30am and will be finished by mid-afternoon. Lunch will be provided by the Chapter, so just let me know if you plan to attend. Also, please let me know where you would like to judge (interior, chassis, operations, etc.). Stewart's shop is at 801 SW 148th, Burien, WA 98166.

Our next judging event will also be a judging school/mini-meet at Gary Christensen's new home near Grandview, WA. We will judge two Corvettes, details to be finalized later. Directions to Gary's place will be published later. If you would like to stay overnight Friday or Saturday, please let Mike Doty know.

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# 2011 EVENT SCHEDULE

March 26	Judging School/Mini-Meet	Stewart Lowe's in Burien, WA
April 1-3	Swap Meet	Portland, OR
May 21	Judging School/Mini-Meet	Gary Christensen's in Grandview, WA
Jun 19	Father's Day Picnic	Lake Sammamish in Issaquah, WA
June 26	Chapter Meet	Larry Johnson's in Olympia, WA
July 17-22	National Convention	Novi, Michigan
August 13	Terminator	Dutoit's in Salem, OR
August 14	XXX All Corvette Show	Issaquah, WA
August 27	BC Chapter Meet	Keith Bramhill's in White Rock, BC
Sept 9	Open House	Larry Johnson's in Olympia, WA
Sept 11	Kirkland Concours d'Elegance	Carillon Point Kirkland, WA
Oct 6-8	Regional Meet	Sacramento, CA
Oct 22	Judging School/Mini-Meet	Dan Johnson's in Woodinville, WA
Dec 4	Holiday Event	Brock's Oak Tree in Woodland, WA

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## **Chairman's Message** *(continued from page 1)*

2011 brings a change in the chapter Board of Directors. Mike Doty, Yakima WA replaced Dennis Clark as Vice Chairman. Mike will be responsible for the website. Look for many great changes. David Artz Puyallup WA replaced Suzanne Benner as chapter secretary. Chuck Dutoit will take the Southern Oregon Area Coordinator position.

All in all 2011 looks as though it will be a fun year for our chapter. Wayne Loron, Judging Chairman has many activities planned, 2011 chapter calendar enclosed. If you have articles you would like to contribute to our newsletter, please contact me.

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## **Area Coordinator Report** by Mike Doty

Winter is in the final stages and we are busy with the chapter judging school held in the area May 21st. This year we have moved the location to an estate near Grandview Washington. We would like to make a weekend out of the event if the member wants to. There will be a big game trophy room for viewing as well as a car collection to drool over. Lions and tigers and bears, oh my. If people would like to visit some wineries, we could have a wine tour. There is an opportunity to take a boat ride up the Yakima river also.

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## **Membership Report** by Tammy Shirley, Chairwoman

A big thank you to all the members that sent in their 2011 membership dues. You will be receiving a membership directory of all of our members. If you see any errors in your information please send me a quick e-mail at t.shirley@charter.net or call 509-560-0250 and it will get revised.

We received two new members at the end of this last year, I would like to welcome Pete Kandratieff, Oregon City, OR - 67 convertible. And Terry & Linda Bullington, Woodinville, WA - 62 340h.p.

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Our Chapter Judging Meet will be held on Sunday, June 26, 2011 at Larry Johnson's store in Tumwater. We will be judging three or four C-1's: one or two 1955's, a 1957, a 1958, and or a 1962. More details later.

On October 22, we will hold another judging school/mini-meet at Dan Johnson's home in Woodinville, WA. Plans are to judge two 1963 coupes.

If you know of a Corvette that is "wanting" to be judged, please let me know so we can fit it into our schedule where it makes the most sense.

If you would like to see anything added to or changed regarding our judging meets and/schools, please let any board member know. Thanks.

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Another member came back to us that was once a previous chapter member, Marty and Mary Herrera, Portland, OR - 63 coupe.

This year at the Puyallap Swap Meet we received a good response at the membership table. A lot of the members that attended were able to pay their dues and we received a lot of questions on what our chapter consists of - with that being said, we received 6 new members. Please welcome Rodgers and Sandy Dwight, Bend OR - 55 convertible, Gary and Kathy Hammer, Green Bank WA - 62 fuelie and a 69 BB coupe, Rick and Sandi Mcguire, Kirkland WA - 67, Delmer and Louise Swan, Bend OR - 58, Bob and Doris Hodge, Black Butte Ranch, OR - 59 and Ed Mecum Jr., Seattle WA - 57 & 62.

I would like to thank Bert Lukens who brought a couple of these new members to our chapter. The same day that I was putting this article together I received another new membership in the mail, please welcome John C Nelson, Condon OR - 67.

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Please let us know soon if you will be attending and which activities you would like to participate in. We can get motel rooms close by for those who wish to spend the night.

We will be heading out to Novi, Michigan on the road tour July 14th. Outside of a stop at Mt. Rushmore on day 2, the trip will average around 600 miles a day. If anyone is interested in joining us, let me know. If someone wants to join us along the way, that option is open to the members

The first night stop will be Billings, some 840+ miles from Carl's house, a long day of driving.

Day 2's stop is undecided at this time as I am looking for reasonable accommodations that night.

Day 3 will be Madison, Wisconsin where I will pick up my navigator for the rest of the trip East. We hope to see you at one of these fine events.



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**Northwest Chapter NCRS  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Puyallup Swap Meet  
February 12, 2011**

Board or Directors meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Benner February 12, 2011 at 5:00 PM

Members present: Mike Benner, Mike Doty, Tammy Shirley, Wayne Loron, Larry Richter, David Artz

Minutes from Previous meeting were motioned for approval by Larry Richter and 2nd by Wayne Loron, motion passed, minutes were approved as written.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Larry Richter

Bend regional was successful and the chapter is doing well financially

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Tammy Shirley

Gave report on 2010 and 2011 unpaid members

Was discussion on including and encouraging unpaid members

Tammy requested removal of unpaid 2010 members

**JUDGING CHAIRMAN:** Wayne Loron

Stewart Lowe's we will have two 65's

He is working on Grandview in May

June at Larry Johnson's has four cars as of now

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mike Benner will produce a 2011 events calendar that will be sent when Tammy mails the 2011 Membership Directory

The members decided not to participate in the Chapter Top Flight award program

The Chapter sponsor program was discussed. At present there are four levels of participation. Mike B asked if four levels were necessary. Mike D and Wayne suggested having only one level. Or, if we needed sponsors at all? The decision was postponed to a later meeting.

**NEWSLETTER UPDATE:** As of now Mike Doty will have the website responsibilities and Mike Benner will have the newsletter. Mike Benner has been looking for a volunteer for quite a while. Larry voiced concern about timeliness of the newsletter, publication and delivery, and that it is very important. It was agreed that someone need to step up to do the newsletter. The decision was made to publish the Newsletter four times per year.

Mike B. asked if we should do a multiple day event for the June Chapter event at Larry Johnson's. A dinner or other activities. Decision was to keep it a one day event.

Mike D. asked about the chapter event calendar on the website and it was agreed that it should Continue.

Tammy suggested that all chapter e-mails should be broadcasted to everyone so that all officers are on the same page.

Mike D. brought up work to be done on area coordinators, Mike B will talk to Chuck Dutoit about that area.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm

Respectfully submitted:

David Artz  
Secretary

## From the Editor

The only Corvette moment I had since the last issue, other than a seeing a few of them cruising the highway on a rare sunny day, was at a dinner party last fall. It was a casual affair - a dinner for the committee that helped put together the 40th high school reunion for Beaverton. I have been to more BHS reunions than my own high school reunions - Oregon (WI) high school class of 1972. The score is now 2-0.

I'm sitting around the table poking the parsley leaf that on left on my plate for occasions such as this and another hapless husband starts talking to me about his car problems. He's drives an Alfa Romeo and is a member of the local Alfa club. I listen to his misfortunes as I wonder how long can this story go on...and on...and on.

He finally takes a breath and I quickly say, "I'm the editor for a Corvette Restorers Club." He looks at me and says, "The only difference

between an Alfa club and a Corvette club is we need each other." I asked him to explain. "Well, our cars aren't known for their reliability - so we need each other for car parts. With Corvettes, it's more of a social thing because they are built so much better," he replied.

I was thinking he may have a point because most of the events on the calendar are social. There is only one swap meet scheduled and the Wanted/For Sale ads are as scarce as Tucker sedans.

I found this article on the web that I hope you enjoy:

<http://www.corvetteblogger.com/2011/03/07/auktion-results-high-price-paid-for-58-corvette-barn-car/#more-5445>



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