

There are many ingredients mixed together to make a regional meet successful. First, 5 past and present board members travel to Seaside in August of last year to get a good lay of the land and meet with the local reps at the motels, convention center, and the city itself. Then, Arland and Spike provide valuable information and photos of previous Seaside regionals. This provides the foundation and helps set up goals for a successful meet. Mix in many volunteers that donate hours upon hours of work and you get many positive results and praise from the participants. Kay did another super job on the artwork. Mike and Diane Somers were in charge of goody bags. Valerie did a great job on the shirts and helped with registration along with Gail, Tim, & Tammy. Carlene, Lisa, & Diane also pitched in at the front desk. Carole was in charge of the ladies' luncheon. Carl started us off in February with the online system which provided wonderful reports of everything associated with the regional. Tim and Gail picked up the ball in March and did a great job of mixing the old system with the new on the registrations. All those computer glitches should be purged from the system by the next regional. Dave and Wayne arrived early with Dave putting up signs in many of the stores in town. The PV course changes were made before people started arriving and I heard of no complaints. We couldn't have pulled this off without the 100 plus hours Wayne invested in all aspects of the cars and the judges, owners, and the rest of the participants. We had close to 190 people register plus a handful of members and non-members show up on a day pass. The public sales almost amounted to ? the rental on the building. I believe the day pass fee is fair for everyone and should become a standard practice for the future. A special thank you to chapter judges who stepped in at the last minute and helped out on ops on Thursday, and the other sections on Friday and Saturday. Lastly, we would not have been so successful without the wonderful cars that were in attendance. Great friends, great cars definitely describes our car club doesn't it?



## MAY-JUNE 2012



If you haven't heard, the Northwest chapter was awarded a regional for 2014. It will be held at the Lemay museum the end of August. We have also decided to have a joint super chapter meet next summer with our friends from the B.C. chapter in the summer of 2013. Hopefully these meets will satisfy most owners needing a car judged. We are open to more chapter judging schools later this year or next if someone wants to host one and can line up cars to judge.

I wish to thank everyone for coming to the board meeting and chapter meeting during the regional meet. It is rare that we get that many chapter members in the same room and to see members wanting to get more involved in our hobby was very gratifying. We had a nominee for the judging chairman opening and another member threw his name in the hat for an area coordinator. Another member offered his shop for a judging meet. We need this kind of involvement to keep the chapter and the hobby going strong in the future. You will see a list of chapter board positions looking for nominations for 2013 in the front bumper. Any chapter member can hold a position and we encourage nominating members for board positions. Please don't nominate a member who does not want the position however. At the chapter meeting, we talked about how involved the judging chairman position has become. Going forward, we need an assistant judging chairman to help with the workload. A member recently volunteered to assist the judging chairman. Because of these new nominations and increased participation, I am very proud to be a part of this chapter, especially after spending time with you in Seaside and hearing all the positive vibes at the regional.

# 2012 EVENT SCHEDULE

**June 2**

Judging School  
Kennewick, WA

**June 17**

Father's Day Picnic  
Issaquah WA



**June 30 - July 4**

National Convention  
San Diego CA

**August 11**

B.C. Judging Meet  
White Rock, B.C.

**August 25-26**

NCRS Corvette weekend  
August 25 Terminator Party @ Sequim WA  
•Driving directions are on last page•

August 26 XXX Corvette show @ Issaquah WA

**December 9**

Holiday Brunch – TBD

**Please check [www.nwnrcs.org](http://www.nwnrcs.org) for updated information.**

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Northwest Chapter NCRS • Board of Directors Meeting • Seaside Oregon, Regional Event • May 3, 2012

Board of Directors meeting held at the convention center at Seaside Oregon  
Meeting called to order by Chairman Mike Doty May 3, 2012 at 4:00 pm

Members present: Wayne Loron - Judging chairman, Carl Davidson - Region VIII Director, Tim Downs, Chuck Dutoit, David Artz - Secretary, John Paul Nelson III, Valerie Johansen - Treasurer, Bob Johansen, Mike Doty - Chairman, Tammy Shirley - Membership Chairman

Mike Doty motioned for the previous meeting minutes to stand and motion passed.

Valerie – Treasurer Report: She reported that finances are very stable and that the Regional event is in the black so far and looks to stay that way at present.

Mike Doty suggested that the Kennewick Corvette judging event should be a full chapter meet. We will need more judges in order to judge three cars.

Wayne suggested that we contact more members to see if we could recruit judges.

Mike said that we are doing this event to give the chapter more exposure and encourage new members. He attended last year and said that it was a great show.

Mike Doty said that we need to start planning events for next year.  
Mike Doty said that "2014" Regional is approved for LeMay museum in Tacoma.  
There was general discussion about inside/outside event at LeMay.  
Carl Davidson said that he would contact the hotel and LeMay to book event ASAP.

Mike Doty suggested that we meet in Bellingham with the B.C. chapter.

Mike Doty is asking for applications for the Judging Chairman position. Wayne Loron said that he would like to be involved in chapter events and schools but not Regionals.

Discussion about new Regional registrations on-line:

Tim Downs said that in the long run it will work out fine but in the interim, it is a lot of work.

Carl Davidson said that the information bank will be invaluable and National is pushing for the chapters to conform.

There was much discussion about data submittals.

Tim said that he believes that problems can be worked out with Rob and Gary, the IT guys.

Mike Doty suggested that Tim Downs might serve as Judging Chairman Administrator. Tim gave his thoughts as to the magnitude of the job. It should be someone familiar with chapter policy and lots of time. Clarification was made that this is for Regional Events only, not chapter events. Wayne Loron will help out at chapter, schools and mini-meets. Tim Downs said that he will help with "14" registrations.

Mike said that specific job assignments are unclear and would need to be worked out. Wayne will assist in the transition.

Mike stated that we have several new members in 2012 and that some are at this event.

Mike stated that the next Front Bumper needs to be prepared.

Mike adjourned meeting at 5:30

Respectfully Submitted  
David Artz - secretary



# MEMBERSHIP REPORT



We currently have 125 members. Congratulations to everyone! We are 100% paid dues for 2012.

The Northwest Chapter has acquired several new members since our last newsletter, please welcome the following new members:

Sean & Melissa Donnelly, Fall City, WA - '68 conv.  
Ted & Marcia Kartes, Snohomish, WA - '66  
Terry & Sandra Kirkwood, Kennewick, WA - '62 & '72  
Gary Main, Redmond, WA - '67 conv & coupe and '01 conv.  
Rick & Pam Pimley, Goldendale, WA - '61  
Rich & Frankie Sokso, Olympia, WA - '62  
Craig Williamson, Bothell, WA - '59

Every NCRS event I walk away with putting names to faces that I have been in contact with or meeting someone I have never met before and I am always walking away with new friendships that have been made. I encourage everyone to try and attend our events throughout the year and you too can make "New Friends." - *Tammy Shirley, Membership Chairperson*

## CALL for NOMINATIONS for CHAPTER OFFICERS for 2013

We need some new ideas for operating the Northwest Chapter. Please consider helping next year by accepting a nomination to any of the positions listed below. Please contact any board member if you have questions. Thanks - *Wayne Loren, Past Judging Chairman*

1. All positions are open each year.
2. Nominations, including self-nominations, will be accepted by any of the Chapter Board Members.
3. The Chapter officer positions are: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Front Bumper Editor, Membership, Judging Chairman

Area Coordinators: Eugene & Willamette Valley, Eastern Oregon & Boise, Portland Area, Seattle Area, Spokane Area



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**Terminator Party** • Aug. 25th – 11:30 am-3:00 pm  
Open House/Mystery Tour – The Kalinski's are hosting our Terminator Party this year along with the Olympic Peninsula Region - Porsche Club of America. This will be an open house with a gourmet catered lunch at 11:30 am.

**Directions** - For those who want to drive up from the south peninsula area, meet at 10:00 am at the Poulsbo McDonalds (20533 Viking Ave.) for a 10:15 am departure. Otherwise plan to meet at the Kalinski's house in Sequim at 11:30 am.

After lunch and perusing the Kalinski's car collection, we will embark on a Mystery Tour with an awesome car lover's destination hosted by NCRS member, Brown Maloney.

Please RSVP by 7/25/12 to Dan Kalinski at kalinsd@msn.com or TBD with count for lunch and the tour. Please let our NCRS members know that they do not need to drive a Vette for this function. Also, for any that are spending the night in the Sequim area, we are proposing a little informal "get together" no-host dinner at one of the local restaurants.

### **Corvettes? If you have to ask you can't understand**

Just sitting there, they look as though they're going 73 miles an hour.

Just sitting there, you know each and every one has a heart, a brain and a soul .

Just sitting there, if you listen closely enough, you'll hear each one of them say, "I'm me and you're not."

"Come on," said Steve Massie of the Jackson Corvette Club. "Come on. You know the answer."

I did but I asked anyway: "What is it about the Chevrolet Corvette that still turns a certain segment of society (mostly male) into a quivering mass of goo?"

"It's the only American sports car," he said Sunday as he and a bunch of his closest friends brought their pride and joys to Cornwell's Turkeyville in Marshall for the 24th annual Corvette Celebration sponsored by the Corvette Club of Battle Creek.

"The appeal starts when you're a kid," said Massie, who owns six Corvettes.

He remembers the first one he saw was a 1956 model, part of the first generation of the car prized by so many people and which became pretty much the only car driven by NASA astronauts.

"I remember it was owned by a friend's grandfather and I was so jealous I wanted him to be my grandfather," Massie said. "And once you've owned one, you have to have another."

I will admit I am a Corvette guy and I have no idea why. I cannot take apart an engine and I don't know the intricacies of the Corvette the way most fanatics do. I just know what I like and I know that every time a Corvette

(preferably black and convertible) slithers down the road, it is a sublime and humbling experience.

"There's no prettier color than black," said Ron Bennett of Ceresco, who brought two cars to the show and is trying to sell one of them — a 1980 model with a black paint job, black interior, four-speed transmission and only 40,000 miles on its epic engine.

The price was only \$16,800 and by the time I had finished talking with him, and I had professed my unrequited love for all things Corvette, the price was down to \$16,500.

There's nothing like a Corvette owner.

At Sunday's event, the 75 or so cars on display were all shined to a painful perfection.

"Corvette people are like that," Bennett said.

As well, umbrellas covered the immaculately cleaned leather interiors. You could eat dinner off the engines. There was no touching of any car by anyone who didn't have some type of federal security clearance. And everywhere, covens of Corvette people gathered to gawk and admire and talk.

For these folks, and thousands like them all over the country, their Corvette is another child, which responds in turn to the tender loving care by sitting there and looking so very cool.

"I drive zero to 80," Bennett said. "I don't drive 80 to 120 like some people do. I just enjoy being in one."

So, why a Corvette? If you have to ask, you just won't understand.

Chuck Colson, Battle Creek Enquirer