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### NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTHWEST CHAPTER

of the National Corvette Restorer's Society

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### CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

by Mike Doty

The neighbors are picking apples around us which signals fall and the end of the car show season for 2013. Where did the year go?

First, I need to apologize to Tammy for skipping her membership report at the chapter meeting in Puyallup. The chapter is currently at 132 memberships, up about 6 from 2012. I am happy with the increase this year, since we had a 9% increase from 2011. Our involvement in car shows across the region this year has helped improve our relationship with the corvette hobby. We helped a few owners learn about their cars this past car show season, picking up a few new members along the way. Thank you to the members who promoted our chapter and the hobby in 2013. The Kennewick, Puyallup, and Issaquah Corvette shows gained us a lot of exposure. Congratulations go to Delmer Swan and Bob Johansen for their flight awards, and Bob Hodge's PV award at Tahoe. The National convention awarded Dan Johnson his master judges hat at Hampton Roads, Virginia this past July. I am proud to see our members walk to the podium to receive their well deserved awards.

Next year we are hosting a regional, and we will have members traveling to the national convention in Kansas City. We have 2 chapter members on track to receive judging awards next year, probably at the convention. Chapter members will be having their cars judged in Tacoma also, and if anyone needs assistance in the judging process, let us know. We are happy to help our members achieve their goals.

Our last event of the year is Christmas brunch at the Bud Bay Cafe in Olympia, Sunday, December 8th at 11 AM. We had an excellent turnout last year and we look forward to seeing everyone again this year. Please mark your calendars.

-Mike

**Holiday Party** 

Bud Bay Café,,Olympia, WA

# **CORVETTES IN TACOMA**

by Lance Hulin

Three fun days in Tacoma with Corvettes. Friday August 9th '60 Years of 'Vettes' display at LeMays 'America's Car Museum'. Special Display from GM Heritage Center -1959 Stingray Racer, 1961 Mako Shark & 1969 Manta Ray. And 17 C1 to C6 Corvettes from private owners.

The three Special Corvettes were there for just three days then on to Pebble Beach, the other Corvettes until December. They had a Special Unveiling Ceremony of all the Corvettes at the Friday Museum opening. And a special poster was given to the first 500 entrants; the poster displayed Zora Duntov in the 1957 Sebring SS Corvette. In the afternoon the Corvettes arrived from the 500 Corvette Weekend filling the display lawn. In the evening after 5:00 o'clock closing they had a Special Showing for museum members from 5 'till 8. A reception with drink and snacks and the movie 'Corvette Summer' showing.



Saturday was 500 Corvettes at the Puyallup Fairgrounds. Great display of Corvettes, Corvettes for Sale, & Swap Meet. The Northwest Chapter of NCRS had a display, judging and ended with a

Chapter Meeting.



Back to the Museum on Sunday for more pictures of the Corvettes. I stayed until closing to watch the Three Special Corvettes drive out & load up. Each was driven from the 1st Floor down all the ramps and out the lower door. Got some great pictures & some video w/ sound coming out of the building and loading into the semi.

Sept 3 to the Museum to see the Blue 1956 SR-2 from Greg Boehme & Matt LePage.

# **Members Classified Ads**

1958-1961 Corvette trim/ moulding Side Fender Top LH 3736275 & RH 3736276 in GM blue wrappers. \$ 150 for pair Lance Hulin Tacoma, WA (253) 472-5890 lancehulin@yahoo.com

# 2013 National Judges Retreat

# by Dan Johnson

The much awaited National Judges Retreat was held on February 22nd through the 24th in Grapevine, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. I say much awaited as this was the fourth retreat but the first in five years. Previous retreats were held in 2005, 2006 and 2008. All four retreats were held at the Hilton DFW Lakes Hotel and Conference Center. This is an excellent facility to conduct an intensive educational retreat. They had a large convention center to house the cars and comfortable classrooms for instruction. The Northwest Chapter was well represented at this retreat by Bob Johansen, Dave Artz and me.



There were 2 distinct sessions during the two day retreat. Day one consisted of 4 two hour classes using power point displays. Day two consisted of practical application using Corvettes brought in from members of the Texas Chapter.

The class instruction consisted of Judging 101, the Judging Matrix, NCRS Judging Awards and Requirements and the last session consisted of judging paint. The second day consisted of practical application of applying the methods learned. Students judged

an area of a car for about 15 minutes, and then met with instructors to review what they saw and how they figured the deductions. After the meeting with instructors, the students returned to the car for another two 15 minute judging sessions and check in with instructors. Before students left a car, they presented their findings to the owner and were critiqued on their presentation.

A valuable tool at the heart of the retreat was the judging matrix. The judging matrix gives judges a more consistent way to judge originality. This judging tool breaks down originality into 5 areas. The 5 areas of originality are Configuration, Date, Completeness, Installation and Finish (CDCIF). Each of those 5 areas are worth 20 % of the originality score. During future Northwest Chapter Judging Schools, we will be able to show how this tool is used.



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