



Heartbeat of Olympia

Minutes of the General Meeting

Aug 10th, 2011

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CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. The minutes of the prior meeting were approved as amended.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Larry Weniger

Larry presented the current financial information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP – Art Carter

Membership matters are up to date.

WEBSITE – Art Carter

Our club web page is: www.corvettesdeolympia.org

The Web site is up to date.

NWACC – George Schwartz

George reported NWACC was asking for donations for the annual NWACC banquet. Motion was made, seconded and approved to donate \$100 to this event.

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM – George Schwartz

George reported on a planned September 2012 caravan to the National

Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND – Karen Johnson & Mark Twardzicki

Mark Twardzicki advised there was no activity regarding the scholarship fund.

HISTORIAN – Marilyn Trogden

Marilyn presented pictures of several past events to the delight of all. She continues to need event pictures sent to her. Her movies were especially fun.

SPONSORSHIP – Peggy Rogers

Peggy reported all sponsors are current for 2011. She also reported on the Morningside Rally needing new matchbox cars for the event. Donations in cash to purchase are also helpful.

SUNSHINE

Larry reported on behalf of Maggie who was not present that Connie Norquist had been sent a card.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES – Jason Moorash and Josette Miller

Jason and Josette distributed the updated 2011 Calendar of Events. The event sign up notebook was circulated amongst the members.

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Corvettes de Olympia is a non-profit organization formed in 1972.

Our purpose is to:

1. Develop friendship and pride among Corvette owners and drivers.
2. Encourage skillful, safe and sportsmanlike driving habits on the highways.
3. Improve relations between the community and Corvette people.
4. Actively promote, sponsor, organize and supervise sports car competition, outings, meetings and other Corvette or sports car activities.

Annual membership dues are: family-\$55.00 and single-\$27.50.

Monthly meetings are normally held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, at 7:00 pm, at a suitable location in Thurston County.

Meetings are open to any and all Corvette enthusiasts. **Visit us on the web at: www.corvettesdeolympia.org**

No President's message this month.



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OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Raffle – Larry Weniger

Raffle tickets were sold and raised more funds for the club.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 14, 2011, at 7:00 PM at Hawk's Prairie Inn.

Meeting minutes taken and submitted by Doug Rogers, Secretary



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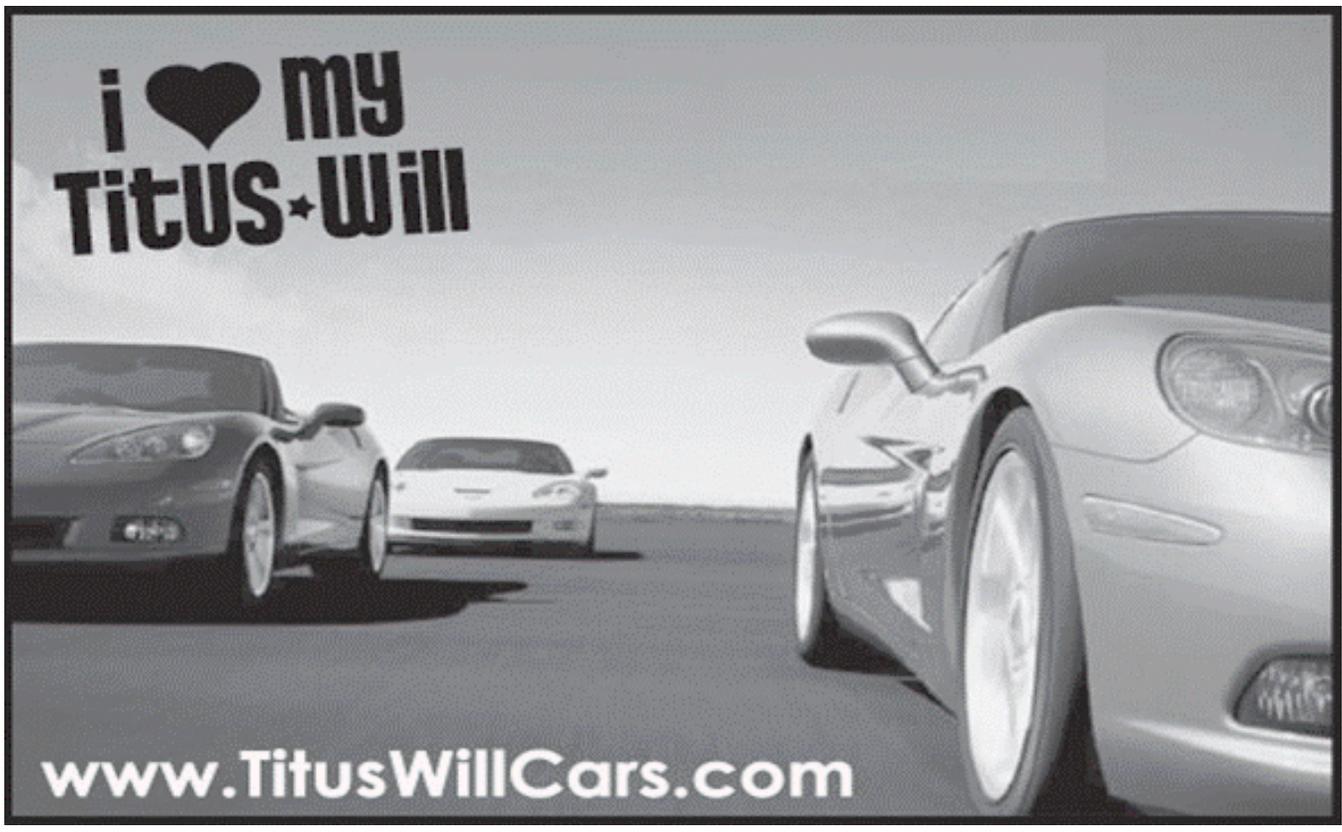


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WHY WE DRIVE

By Duncan & Dee

Four generations of CdeO Corvettes climb to Chinook Pass (5432 feet) returning "the long way" from Leavenworth on a brilliant Sunday in late August. The run took US 97 over Blewett Pass, the wonderfully twisty old SR 821 along the Yakima River, and SR 410 home. There were plenty of opportunities to "come out of the corners like gangbusters" and nobody ever exceeded the speed limit by more than, say, 50 mph.



CdeO Does the LeMay Collector Car Showcase

by Duncan & Dee

Sunday August 7 we took "Mistress" ('72 red Corvette roadster -- the one who started all this Corvette hysteria for us) on a nice ride to the LeMay - America's Car Museum headquarters in Fife and we carried the CdeO colors into their Collector Car Showcase judged show. This is the event that started at the LeMay Family Collection open house in Spanaway a couple of years ago, and now has relocated as a ramp-up to the opening of the new museum by the Tacoma Dome next year. All the more reason to attend.

Things didn't look too promising at the start as we were staged between a Ferrari 328 and an original 1964 Lotus Elan on our left and a Northstar Cadillac Allante and an ultra-rare 1957 Alfa-Romeo "1900" with custom-built body by Touring on our right, plus Porsches, Aston-Martin, Triumph, etc. etc. Competition in class included Corvettes from all generations except C4: 1960 and 1964 roadsters, our C3 roadster, C5 50th anniversary roadster, and C6 Z06 and ZR1 coupes. The judges for our class



(Sports Cars through the present) were heavy-hitters as well, including Tom Bryant, former editor of Road & Track, now retired and among the panjandrums of the Museum. Yes, the judges wore the requisite straw hats, and many had the traditional blue blazers, just like Pebble Beach. The brags we had going in our favor were that "Mistress" is a genuine Survivor Car, preserved and not modified, and she has done it all: rallies, races, and track days, car shows and cruises, club tours and parades, plus she has been to 48 states, including 5 runs across the whole country. Far from a Garage Queen.

Like most all car shows, this one quickly became usual bore. We did check out all the 100+ cars entered, going back to a 1920 Studebaker touring car (there was a large number of Studs at the show,) and also including several full classics from the 1930s. We ogled about 125 Museum cars in the shops, mostly high quality, getting prepped to roll into the new Museum down the street. Observation: the restroom facilities at this venue are inadequate for any kind of a crowd. We departed at lunchtime, well before awards, and motored off for a first meeting with our newly-arrived Number 3 grandson Marcus Hutchison, 3 days old.

In our absence, "Mistress" trophied with 2nd in class! Our neighbor Jerry Larson ('62 Cadillac) accepted for us, grabbed the microphone, and explained how the call of a newborn baby had lured us away, apparently to the great amusement of the crowd. We are surprised and delighted, of course, but we knew all along that the old C3 Corvette still has The Right Stuff. It's always an honor to represent Corvettes de Olympia at events that are an escape from the ordinary.

Calendar

September

Fri. Night Sep 9th, 2011

CHP Open House

Wed. Sep 14th, 2011

C de O Monthly Meeting

Sat. Sep 17th, 2011

Capital CityVette Fest VIII

Sun. Sep 18th, 2011

NWACC Autocross - Shelton

Sat. Sun. Sep 24th, 25th 2011

Cascade Loop Tour -
the Opposite Direction

October

Sat. Oct 1st, 2011

Lower Columbia College Car Show