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## CdeO Holiday Party

by Meagan Renick

This year's annual Christmas Party had a change of venue, and proved to be a wonderful place to party! Thank you Peggy, Josette, and crew for suggesting the new venue, and putting it all together.

The night started out with a social hour followed by a number of "unplanned" changes, but the night went on. Early in the evening Josette discovered that she had left the "Member of the Year" plaque at home. After rushing around to figure out how to make it all work, she came up with a solution: the plaques on the wall in the county club would serve as a stand-in for the presentation of the Member of the Year. That seemed like a great idea

We were ready to move forward with that, until the next news... Larry forgot the proxy votes from the November meeting! This is what happens when you are so focused on partying, as we all were! SO, with that being said, we implemented plan B, which was to have yet another sealed envelope with the proxy votes from the Christmas party! The Member of the Year will be tallied and announced at the January meeting. A little different than the norm, but who ever said that we are normal, right?

Once the voting and official sealing of the votes had concluded, dinner was served buffet style. Dinner was delicious, and no one left hungry! After everyone was stuffed to the brim, we socialized a little more while we let the food settle. While desert was being served, numbers were



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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, Single—\$27.50. Monthly meetings are normally held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month 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](http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org)

**Next Meeting**  
**January 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA**

**President's Message**

Another year has come and gone, and as we reflect on 2012 I think it is important to recall all of the things that we have accomplished. 2012 was a banner year for CdeO! It was the 40th Anniversary of NWACC, for which we have been a member club since almost the inception. It was the 40th Birthday of our club, which means a lot seeing as how many non-profit clubs of this type struggle to make it even half as long! It was the year that we hosted the BEST and BIGGEST Vette Fest EVER, at the brand new LeMay Museum, making our mark as the FIRST Corvette show on the new show field. We had many other successes, but that is just the type of year that 2012 was for us.

Now as we move into 2013, with the pending change of Officers in our club, and many other changes that will be on the horizon, it will be an exciting time for us once again. I look forward to a new year of exciting adventures with our CdeO family, and hopefully some warm weather will be right around the corner!

Save the Wave,

Meagan Renick  
 President  
 Corvettes de Olympia

**Past Presidents**  
**Corvettes de Olympia**

1972	Rich Lockhart
1973	Larry Johnson
1974	Rich Lockhart
1975	Terry Halliday
1976	Ralph Adams
1977	Bill Pollard
1978	Sandy Lockhart
1979	Mike Halliday
1980	Ralph Adams
1981	Larry Johnson
1982	Mike Halliday
1983	Karen Johnson
1984	Jerry Crabill
1985	Tom Kuchman
1986	Larry Johnson
1987	Duncan Johnson
1988	Skip Burch
1989	Jim Turcotte
1990	Karen Johnson
1992	Tom Kuchman
1991	Ron Zielin
1993	Roy Scioli
1994	Tom Hanson
1995	Tom Kuchman
1996	Peggy Rogers
1997	Peggy Rogers
1998	Karen Johnson
1999	Randy Harris
2000	Randy Harris
2001	Jim Turcotte
2002	Peggy Rogers
2003	Peggy Rogers
2004	Vince Puntenev
2005	Vince Puntenev
2006	Vince Puntenev
2007	Brian Cousineau
2008	Peggy Rogers
2009	Meagan Renick
2010	Meagan Renick
2011	Meagan Renick
2012	Meagan Renick

drawn for the Annual Gift Exchange and this year the low numbers led off the game. As before, the first person chooses a gift from the table and opens it, and each successive numbers have the opportunity to either take a new gift or steal one already open from a previous player. This year the rule was that once a gift had been stolen twice (with the third person), it was no longer eligible for stealing and the last person who had taken the gift was the final owner.

Of course, the popular gifts soon began to emerge which were things such as a Radio Controlled Corvette, a set of binoculars (of which there were two), and multiple presents involving alcohol (such as a six pack of wine). Since there were more than one of most of these items, keeping track of what was still eligible and what was already spoken for took a bit of work, but those with an eye on a certain item were more than willing to invest the brain power to keep track.



There was a bit of cooperation between spouses and other families in order to insure the correct gift ended up in the right hands, but the work to make that happen was something to behold. Just when you thought you had it figured out, who had stolen what, someone else became involved with the stealing and your focus had to change to either another gift or another route. Several members made many trips back to the gift table, as their gifts were continually being taken. A couple of members were constant visitors to the gift table in addition to surveying the assortment of open gifts. How it generally works is you keep opening gifts until you open one that is not so popular and everyone leaves you alone. If you open one that is popular, it will probably be stolen from you. The best you can hope for is to snag something popular on it's last steal, before it is retired by the twice stolen rule.

In the end, it was a whole lot of fun and there were some very nice gifts. The last person gets to open their gift, and with that, the game is over. The party broke up shortly after that, and everyone departed for home. Although the attendance was down a bit this year, the party was a great success and everyone present had a lot of fun.

What a great close to a great year!

*Note: More holiday party photos available on our CdeO Facebook page.*

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**KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE...**  
Give up your New Year's resolutions for Lent.

...from Duncan



## Upcoming Events

### January

Jan 9th

CdeO Monthly Meeting, Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant\*

Sun 27th

A drive to visit the LeMay Museum on a Sunday afternoon. Leaving Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 1:00 p.m.\*

### February

Sat/Sun 9-10th

39th Annual Corvette and High Performance Meet at the Puyallup Fair and Events Center

(Saturday, 9:30-4 p.m., \$10 Sunday, 8-2 p.m., \$7)

Wed 13th

CdeO Monthly Meeting, Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant\*

Sat 16th

8th Annual TCC Open House from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. Anne has offered to lead a caravan leaving from Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant parking lot at 11:30 a.m.

#### 8th Annual TCC Open House



Come join us, other corvette clubs & fellow enthusiasts for an afternoon of getting together, meeting new people, hearing about upcoming events, viewing all the corvettes and sharing a great lunch hosted by the Tacoma Corvette Club.

Plenty of room to park so bring your vette!

### March

Wed 13th

CdeO Monthly Meeting, Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant\*

Sat 23rd

Lacey Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at North Thurston High School

\* indicates Club sanctioned events that count for membership qualifications. For more information and additional events, visit <http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org>