

THE ENLIGHT'NER
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Our club sponsor is: Jerry Smith Chevrolet – Buick, 12484 Reservation Road and Highway 20, Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 293-5166.

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2009 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT-----
VICE-PRESIDENT-----LINDA GILBERT
SECRETARY-----SANDY RUCH
TREASURER-----DOUG GILBERT

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Activities-----All Members
Web Master-----Bill Ruch
Statistician-----Kevin Humann
Car Shows-----Dave Overton
Elections-----Betty Carey
Newsletter Editor-----Sandy Ruch
Membership-----Barbara Strowbridge
Sergeant at Arms-----Skip Nelson
PAO-----Bill Amman

MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Oct 13. Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Oct 27. Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Nov 10. Club Meeting, Denny's,
Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Nov 24. Club Meeting. Village Pizza,
Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
(Dates/Events are subject to change)

Saturday, Dec 12, Christmas Party, Max Dales

Other Events

October Birthdays

7 Jerry Miller, Skip Nelson
12 Delonis Lovold
14 Roger Tenbrink
15 Bonnie Pierson
Marc Zahrt
23 Steve Callen
28 Dennis Somerville

September Anniversaries

25 Jeff & Michelle Tarleton
27 David & Eileen Putnam
31 Dave & Georgine Finch

Minutes

MINUTES OF 08 Sep 09 MEETING AT Denny's

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the Vice President. Members in attendance were: (23), Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angello, Dick & Betty Carey, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Kevin Humann, Jerry Miller, Joanne Olson, Rod Olson, Dave Overton, Bryan & Bonnie Pierson, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Roger Tenbrink, Barry Westphal, Marc Zahrt. The minutes of the 25 Aug 09 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented

OLD BUSINESS: Membership: 82. No old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Presentation made to Denny's staff for their outstanding performance during our 16 Aug Car Show. They were also presented with some of our Dash Plaques. The rest of the Dash plaques will be mailed out to those who requested them. Halloween party has been scheduled for 1 Nov at the Strowbridge residence. Wear costumes and bring chili. There will be judging. A thank you card will be sent to the Cruzers for the invitation to their rendezvous. It has been decided that we will forgo a New Year's party this year. Election time is fast approaching.

OTHER: Sedro Woolley's Founders Day 13 Sep @ Riverfront park. Nostalgic Drags Sep 12. Christmas party at Max Dales. 2 Dec. The next meeting will be at Village Pizza 22 Sep 09. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:77pm
Jerry Miller won "Joker Up"

MINUTES OF 22 Sep 09 MEETING AT Village Pizza

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the Vice President. Members in attendance were: (24), Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angello, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Dick & Betty Carey, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, John & Cynthia Lucke, Dave Overton, Bryan Pierson, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Ron & Linda Telles. The minutes of the 8 Sep 09 meeting were reviewed and accepted with 1 correction.

Treasurer's report was presented

OLD BUSINESS: Membership: 82. As of this meeting if you didn't pay your dues you were dropped from the Roster. Report on the Sedro Woolley. There were 8 cars and it was a fun sunny day. Report on Nostalgia Drags in Arlington. There were approx. 600 cars and it was HOT & DUSTY. Christmas Party date has been changed to 12 Dec. Begins at 6:30 with Cocktails, Dinner at 7:30. There will be a gift exchange NTE 15.00.

NEW BUSINESS: Linda has a catalog of t-shirts you can look at. Our Denny's show is scheduled for 1 Aug 2010. Halloween 1 Nov. Meet at PETCO 12:00 for off Islanders.

Meet at Frontier Industries 12:45 for those on Island. Corvette Club of Calvary would like a copy of our Bylaws. Club says go ahead. Letter to City of Annacortes sent for Continuing funds for 2010.

OTHER: The next meeting will be at Denny's 13 Oct 09. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8.05.

Bill Amman won "Joker Up"

Corvette History - October



- **October 15, 1954:** Zora Arkus Duntov writes a memo to Ed Cole and Maurice Olley, noting that the Corvette appeared to be a failure. He suggests that to drop the Corvette would be an admission of failure. He urges General Motors not to cancel the car, but to create a separate department within Chevrolet to oversee Corvette Development.
- **October 7, 1960:** The CBS TV show, "Route 66" debuts with two young men driving a 1960 Corvette around the US in search of adventure.
- **October 13, 1962:** 1963 model production Corvettes make their racing debut at the Los Angeles Times Three-Hour Invitational Grand Prix in Riverside, California. The Ford-powered Shelby Cobra also makes its debut. Four Z06-equipped Corvettes enter, but only one finished, driven by Doug Hooper. The lone Cobra breaks its rear axle one hour into the race. Hooper's Corvette wins the race.
- **October 5, 1965:** The second Mako shark II car debuts at the Paris Auto Show in France. This version is fully drivable, with a 427ci engine.
- **October 4, 1973:** General Motors premieres the 390ci mid-engined Corvette Four-Rotor prototype at the Paris Automobile Salon in France. The Corvette Two Rotor is also shown. Both use rotary engines based on Wankel technology.
- **October 26, 1988:** The Callaway Sledgehammer Corvette reaches a top speed of 254.76 mph at the Transportation Research Center in Ohio.
- **October 18, 1989:** The final 1989 SCCA Corvette Challenge race is run, in St. Petersburg, Florida at the St. Petersburg Grand Prix circuit. The Texas American Racing Team, with driver Scott Lagase, wins the race. Overall, Bill Cooper of the Valley Chevrolet team wins the series.

- **October 1992:** General Motors executives approve the design of the next-generation Corvette, with a target release year of 1997.
- **October 19, 1995:** GM names Dave Hill, Corvette's vehicle line executive, a new title in General Motors' ongoing restructuring.
- **October 1, 1996:** The first production 1997 model Corvette is completed.
- **October 19, 1992:** Corvette program manager, Russ McLean informs his staff that the GM Strategy Board has placed all projects after 1996 on hold or canceled, including the 1997 Corvette and later projects.
- **October 1992:** The last (number 10) Callaway Twin Turbo Speedster Corvette is completed.

Frankly Speaking

NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS PRINTING. A REVISED EDITION TO BE POSTED AT A LATER DATE.

Doctor Dictionary Word of the Day

equivocate *lih-KWIV-uh-kayt*, **intransitive verb:**

To be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or to avoid committing oneself to anything definite.

The witness shuffled, equivocated, pretended to misunderstand the questions.

-- Thomas Babington Macaulay, History of England

By equivocating, hesitating, and giving ambiguous answers, she effected her purpose.

-- Harriet Martineau, Letters from Ireland

Dr. Lindzen does not equivocate. "We don't have any evidence that this is a serious problem," he says flatly.

-- William K. Stevens, "Skeptic Asks, Is It Really Warmer?", New York Times, June 17, 1996

To equivocate is literally to call equally one thing or the other: It comes from Medieval Latin *aequivocare*, from the Latin *aequus*, equal + *vocare*, to call (from Latin *vox*, voice).

foofaraw *\FOO-fuh-raw*, **noun:**

1. Excessive or flashy ornamentation or decoration.
2. A fuss over a matter of little importance.

A somber, muted descending motif opens and closes the work, which is brief but effective. It provided much-needed relief from the fanfares and foofaraw in which brass-going composers so often indulge.

-- Philip Kennicott, "Brass Spectacular is a Spectacle of Special Sound", St. Louis Post-Dispatch, January 17, 1997

As usual, with all cooperation with Tom Lea, Art becomes a "taking away" process rather than the adding of ornaments, rules, and other foofaraw.

-- David R. Farmer, Calgary Sun

Making the Times best-seller list, or a movie, or all that other foofaraw is not necessarily proof of [a novel's] lasting significance.

-- Roger K. Miller, "Peyton Place' was remarkably good bad novel", Minneapolis Star Tribune, December 29, 1996

Foofaraw is perhaps from Spanish *fanfarrón*, "a braggart."

For Sale

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Bill Strowbridge

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If you want something to appear in the Newsletter.

Feel free to e-mail the information to Edgar.

Wintertime Beef Soup

- 1 LB lean ground beef
- 4 celery ribs, coarsely chopped
- 1 med onion, coarsely chopped
- 1 med green pepper, coarsely chopped
- 1 garlic clove minced

2 C water
2 C reduced sodium tomato juice
1 can (14-1/2 oz) diced tomatoes, undrained
1 can (8 oz) tomato sauce
2 t reduced sodium beef bouillon granules
2 t chili powder
½ t salt
2 cans (16 oz) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
2 C coarsely chopped cabbage

1. In a large saucepan or dutch oven, cook the beef, celery, onion, green pepper and garlic over medium heat until meat is no longer pink; drain. Stir in the water, tomato juice, tomatoes, tomato sauce bouillon, chili powder & salt. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 30 minutes.
2. Stir in kidney beans; return to a boil. Stir in cabbage. Reduce heat; cover and cook 12 minutes longer or until cabbage is tender.

Yield is 8 servings

?????Trivia Question?????

What was the original name of Alexander, son of Blondie and Dagwood Bumstead in the comic strip "Blondie"

ANSWER: Baby Dumpling

Who coined the phrase "Californy, Here We Come"?
