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From the PREZ

Hello SCC Members,

Since I was elected President of our club at the annual banquet, I was told that a "From the President" article is customary for the club newsletter each month. I'm no writer by any stretch so my grammar may be a little rough.

The SCC annual banquet at the Coeur d' Alene Casino was well attended with 41 members and spouses. The food was okay, the service was better, and the evening entertainment was over-the-top. Tom Tantriella performed a great karaoke of "Rat Pack" songs; mostly Dean Martin, with back up from Mike DeFreese and Steve Grubb dressed up in Bavarian costumes provided by Roger Johnson. With all the cell phone cameras going including casino employees, I'm sure some incriminating pictures will turn up on social media and a SCC newsletter. Other officers selected at the banquet are Tom Helman as Vice President; Dianna Johnson remains as Treasurer and Bob Crabb stays as Secretary. I'm not sure how long Bob has been Secretary but he was taking meeting notes when Martha and I joined the SCC in 2007.

Unfortunately, our outgoing President Peter Kruse could not make the banquet this year. As President for the past 5 years, Peter accomplished some major milestones for the club. To name a few; he found a new meeting establishment for us when "Bluz at the Bend" closed; he managed to update the club Constitution and By-laws; he researched and cleared up our vague non-profit status with the state and with others found us a new sponsor. But, I think his biggest regret will be having his picture taken with the Oscar Meyer Weiner-mobile at a Depot Days car show in Wallace, Idaho. Thanks Peter for all you've done for the club. Also, a special thanks to George Beauchesne and Terri Pratt for handling the webpage; Mary Tantriella for lining up some great new restaurants for our dinner runs; Barb Beck for handling the membership committee and Arlyn and Pat Thurber for the mighty fine calendars. Along with Kelly and Jackie Brown and Mike Hagestad they organize and run the Autocross at Deer Park airport. If you want to have lots of fun and push yourself and your car a bit, go to the Autocross.



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I don't know about you but I'm ready for warmer weather; lots of warmer weather in fact. For me, winter should end right after Christmas. Poor ole "BLU DVL" has suffered long enough under cover in my un-heated garage.

So, we have some exciting events and caravans coming up for the club starting with the April 29th Corvette show in Wenatchee. Their show format was changed to a non-judged event and looks to be a more laid back event now. We will caravan to the show on Friday the 28th and most will stay Friday and Saturday night. A block of 30 rooms are set aside at the local Comfort Inn for show participants. Last year our club members took home various class trophies and we scored the Club Participation Trophy. Fliers, registration forms and accommodation info are available on our web site.

Other shows and events coming up are:

May 6th - The SCC Spring Run which Tony Plese is planning.

May 26-29th - The Montana Big Sky Meet in Whitefish, Mt. Memorial Day weekend. Last year, SCC members won various class awards and we scored the Club Participation Award again.

June 2-3 - Corvettes-on-the-Columbia in Pasco, WA. Our club has won the Club Participation Award a few times but lost out last year to the Northwest Corvette Association from Vancouver, Wa. A look at their web page indicates they are very active club.

June 17, 2017 - Smoke-n-Steel Crusin-the-Columbia show in Trail BC. Dan and Lana will have further info on this show soon.

June 22-25 - "Corvettes at Lake Tahoe" show in Stateline, Nevada. I am leading this caravan. It's a 2-day trip down Hwy 395 with an overnight stay in Hines, OR. near Burns. So far, there are 15 cars signed up.

July 29th - SCC "25th Anniversary Glass-on-Grass". This is our event of the year. CynDee Aerts is again planning a fun weekend. She's already got the ball rolling with a recent committee meeting and a good turnout of volunteers. But, the "Help Wanted" sign is still out. If you can spare time to volunteer please contact CynDee. A fun Friday evening meet-n-greet and a Saturday barbecue after the show are in the works and possibly a Sunday autocross. We've selected the Shriner's Children Hospital as

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our event charity so please dig deep and buy lots of raffle and 50/50 tickets for this worthy organization. As always, raffle prize donations are needed.

August 26 thru September 9th - Canadian Caravan. This is a major event for some club members. It's sponsored by Canadian members Dan and Lana Rodlie from Trail, BC and is about 2 weeks long. If you're interested, check with them for an open spot.

Sept. 9th - Queen City Cruise at Nelson, BC. Always a fun time in Nelson.

Autocross - Arlyn is working on the schedule for the Deer Park Airport.

Some Trivia - In what year was the last Corvette produced to run on leaded gasoline AND use a catalytic converter?

Dick Schatzka -
President, SCC



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-President Dick Schatzka.

We rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer's Report: Balance: \$7,158.16

Minutes: Were not read.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Elections: Our new officers are Dick Schatzka, President; Tom Hellman, Vice-President; Dianna Johnson, Treasurer; Bob Crabb, Secretary.

The meeting and Annual Party was adjourned at 7:00 p.m

Check our website for a listing of upcoming events.

Please remember to bring food donations to the meetings for the Food Bank.

Schedule of Club Events

Check the Club Web Site www.spokanecorvetteclub.com for a complete listing of Other Local & Regional Car Events.

UP COMING EVENTS 2017

- Feb 8—Club meeting**
- Feb 22—Dinner catered by Nordic Smoke BBQ**
- April 29th—Nothing but Vettes (Wenatchee)**
- May 6th—Spring Run**
- May 26-28 - 46th Big Sky**
- June 2-3—8th Corvettes on the Columbia**
- June 17-Trail BC car show**
- June 21-25—13th Corvettes at lake Tahoe**
- July 29th— 25th Glass on Grass**
- August 12th—Corvettes and Wine Jamboree**



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