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President Julie Hughes

he 2016-2017 year has started and I see a great future for this club. The committees have been appointed and are busy developing a budget, discussing activities to bring forward to the WVCA membership. Many suggestions have come into the activities committee. I ask that all of the membership put their thinking caps on and help the Activities Committee bring all of us and

exciting WVCA year of travel whether it be a day drive or weekend drive and some wonderful Jacket Night Dinners.. Please go on line to the WVCA website and take the survey. This will give us a little insight into what our membership really wants to participate in.

On another subject, I hope to get ahead of any underlining issues that might be affecting our members. Please feel free to bring any issues to the board and we will try to rectify the situation as best we can. I hope that you can trust that we will do our best. Remember we are all a voluntary Board. I hope you and your families all have a safe and happy Christmas. And if a new corvette happens to be under the tree, you were on Santa's good list.



ope everyone had a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving. Our last jacket night was at the Hitching Post. Everyone seemed to have a good time and food was delicious. There were 24 members in attendance. We had an unfortunate incident in the parking lot where one of our member vehicles was hit & run. Hoping the security camera will provide who was involved.

Vice President Dawn Gloeckner

I checked the Survey and found ONLY 4 members had participated. This is very disappointing. We were hoping to use this to help plan for the future events for 2017. It not to late .... Just need this to help guide our committee to provide the Best WVCA touring events for 2017. If you don't wish to do the survey please give

us your verbal input. The Activities committee met on November 29, 2016 to determine what activities will be offered to the membership. Here is what the activities committee decided to present to the membership: (continued on page 5)

**Glass Sass** is published monthly; the deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month. Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM at Capitol Auto Group, our sponsor. The address is 2855 Maple Ave NE, Salem, Oregon 97301. We welcome all Corvette enthusiasts and prospective members at any of our meetings. The Willamette Valley Corvette Association, Inc., was organized in 1968 to create an esprit-de-corps among Corvette owners; to further the general interest in Corvettes as a sports car; to provide an organization for the exchange of technical information between Corvette owners, dealers and the manufacturer; to encourage skillful handling and safe driving; to provide social gatherings of Corvette owners with a common interest: to encourage and assist members to compete in sanctioned events sponsored by WVCA and by other clubs with similar interests, and to encourage dealer/club co-operation and promote community betterment.

Visit our website for more current information regarding our Club activities and events:

http://www.willamettevalleycorvettes.com

# BOARD MEMBERS for 2017

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Member-at-Large: Lucky King 503-371-0780 mematlarge@willamettevalleycorvettes.com Meeting Minutes "A good goal is one that excites you a lot and scares you a little", Bob Proctor



Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President Julie Hughes.

#### Number of members present: 35

#### Number of guests present: 7

**Guests:** Robert & Kathleen Ridge, 2011 Deep Blue Convertible Jim Jacks, 1982 Collector's Edition

Dave (& Debra) and Dan Sullivan, 2015 Night Race Blue (Buzz's!)

December Birthdays: Lisa Jackson 12/01, Lee Hart 12/06, Sherry Chandler 12/11, Steve Tuttle 12/21

**New Members: Dave and Lisa Jackson** have met all the requirements to become members of WVCA, they were voted in unanimously.

**Board Retreat:** The Board had a retreat on 11/05 to discuss old business and make plans for the 2016-2017 club year. Thank you Julie Hughes, and her brother, for the use of a fantastic beach house for the weekend.

**Treasurer's Report:** November Checking Balance at end \$4,878.73. November Money Market Balance \$3,208.51.

<u>Motion</u> to accept the November Treasurer's Report was put forth by Bob Koenig, seconded by Annie Koenig and passed without opposition.

<u>Motion</u> to accept the November minutes was put forth by **Gene Kraiter**, seconded by **Buzz Blogg** and passed without opposition.

**Budget:** The Budget Committee met on 11/21 at the Kreger's to work on the 2016-2017 budget. **Jim Tiano** emailed the final draft of the budget to the allwvca list and passed around copies at the meeting. The only update was the PO box went from \$100 to \$130, the draft budget will be updated to reflect this.

**Buzz Blogg:** Mentioned the Board needs to speak up or we need to go back to using our portable P.A. system so everyone in the room can hear. He also suggested that we provide a list of the members of all the

committees on the website, that way if people are interested in participating or want to ask questions they know who to contact. Great idea Buzz!

Activities Committee: Met on 11/29/16. Present were Dawn Gloeckner, Julie Hughes, Kent Muhle, Shelly Paddock, Ken and Vikki Arck, Jim and Roxie Tiano, Rich Graham and Janet Kreger. Dawn stressed the importance of communication from the members, the committee can't read minds and needs to know what people want to do or liked about past activities. Anyone is welcome to join our activities committees meetings.

#### Past Events:

10/22, 6pm was the Annual Awards Banquet at Oak Knoll Restaurant. We tried something new this year and had cash in envelopes instead of prizes to choose from for the raffle. Amounts ranged from \$20 to \$50.

#### **Current Events:**

11/16 was the November Jacket Night at Bear Creek in Molalla. Bear Creek backed out at the last minute and Keith at the Hitching Post in Keizer was gracious enough to host our group on short notice. As usual the food and service were top notch. The only bummer of the evening was someone backing into Shelly's HHR in the parking lot and then leaving. Oh well, that's what insurance is for.

#### **Future Events:**

- 12/10 is the PIR Christmas lights for \$20. We are meeting at Harbor Freight on Portland Road at 3:45, leaving at 4. We will pick up the people who live further north and the Rest Stop right before the Wilsonville Bridge @ 4:15. After the lights anyone who is interested can stop at McMennamin's in Wilsonville for dinner.
- 12/16 is the Christmas Party at Delaney Madison Grill in Keizer. Party starts at 6pm, the cost is \$30 per person for some of the best food you will ever eat. There is the usual gift exchange with a limit of \$15, we are bringing stuffed animals to donate to local law enforcement. Dawn is passing out envelopes for your checks, write your name and menu choices (bacon wrapped filet, chicken marinara and halibut) on the outside. We are doing a 50/50 raffle with a different split than usual 50% to the club, 25% to the winner and 25% to our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration in 2018.
- **50/50** at meetings, in 2017 we are going to try adding something new to the monthly 50/50 raffles. We ask that members donate prizes, there will be 2 color tickets available. We will still be selling them for the same price but you can choose between 50/50 and prize tickets. This will hopefully increase participation and help us build funds towards the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- The 2017 Jacket Night list was passed around for people to volunteer to host. This will also go around at the January meeting to finish filling it out. Thank you for hosting!
- Some suggested activities for 2017 include a chili cookoff and/or bingo in January. Anyone with ideas and or suggestions please contact an activity committee member or come to our next meeting.

**Lucky King:** Suggested charging a \$5 per car participation fee for activities and events to go toward the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Buzz mentioned the fact that it is always the same people participating and this would put the expense on just one group.

**50th Anniversary Celebration in 2018:** Sponsors need to be found to help raise funds, donate prizes, merchandise, etc. **John Elegant, Stan Czerniak, Lucky King** will be asked, among others, to solicit businesses that may want to donate, such as Capitol Chevrolet, the Corvette Museum, and the Assembly Plant.

Activity Survey: There is a survey on the front page of the website. This is to gather information about what type of activities and drives our members would like to see organized. Please go onto the website and fill out the survey.

# Top 10 Members for 2015-2016: Buzz Blogg, Member of the Year, Lee Hart, Ken Arck, Al Manrubia, Wayne Kreger, Julie Hughes, Duane Stark, Sandra Stark, Cindy Tuttle, Paul Ennor and Maryann Burgess.

**Start Time:** It has been suggested that the club meetings start at 6pm instead of 6:30pm. **Motion:** motion was put forth by Lucky King to KEEP the start time at 6pm, this was seconded by **AI Manrubia** and passed (with 5 nays).

**Tech Time: John Elegant** spoke about Sterling Blue being discontinued, it is the earliest shutting down of a new color by GM. This color can be ordered until 2/24/17. (**Continued on p 5**)

7:18 PM 11/28/16 Cash Basis

### Willamette Valley Corvette Association **Profit & Loss Budget Overview** November 2016 through October 2017

	6 through October TOTAL
	Nov '16 - Oct 17
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
50/50 Drawings	625.00
Dues	
Renewal	1,950.00
Total Dues	1,950.00
Total Income	2,575.00
Expense	
Event Expenses	
Awards Banquet	
Awards	200.00
Member of the Year	40.00
Prizes	250.00
Awards Banquet - Other	0.00
Total Awards Banquet	490.00
Christmas Party	50.00
Total Event Expenses	540.00
Memorials	50.00
Operations	
Insurance	
NWACC Club Liability Insurance	750.00
NWACC D&O Liability Insurance	750.00
Total Insurance	1,500.00
P.O. Box Rental	100.00
State Not for Profit Annual Fee	50.00
Supplies	
Other	200.00
Walery's Displays	60.00
Supplies - Other	0.00
Total Supplies	260.00
Total Operations	1,910.00
Runs	
Auto Cross	0.00
Pre-Tax Run	0.00
President's Run	0.00
Total Runs	0.00
Subscriptions and Memberships	£.
NWACC - Dues	75.00
Total Subscriptions and Memberships	75.00
Trivia Awards	0.00
Total Expense	2,575.00
Net Ordinary Income	0.00
Net Income	0.00

(continued from front page VP Corner)	Committees for 2017	
Chili Cook off	Budget Committee	
P.I.R. Christmas lights on Saturday, Decem-	Julie Hughes, Jim Tiano, Barbara Fuller,	
<ul><li>ber 10th (\$20.00 per car)</li><li>Eola Winery Brunch</li></ul>	Wayne Kreger, Shelly Paddock, Dawn Gloeckner	
<ul> <li>The first three months sign up of Jacket night</li> </ul>	Activities Committee	
<ul> <li>Assign a committee to be formed for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018</li> </ul>	Dawn Gloeckner, Rich Graham , Janet Kreger, Jim and Roxy Tiano, Vikki and Ken	
Please save the date of December 16, 2016 for our Christmas Party at Delaneys Madison Grill in Keizer. Choices for dinner as follows:	Arck, Shelly Paddock, Kent Muhle, Roger Burgess.	
✤ 6 oz bacon wrapped filet mignon	(continued from p 3)	
Chicken Marsala	<b>Car for Sale:</b> Jeff Burns is selling a 1995 C4 LT1, near per- fect Aqua Blue, black leather, auto, all accessories, sport	
♦ Halibut Au Gratin	axle, never outside. Absolutely beautiful, Jeff is open to	
<ul> <li>Salad &amp; bread included along with coffee, ice tea or soda</li> </ul>	offers from corvette lover. Call Jeff at 503-689-2964. <b>Trivia:</b> What car is the inspiration for the 1 <sup>st</sup> corvette? Al	
No host bar will be available	Manrubia answered correctly with XK120. Instead of prizes for correctly answering the trivia question, the President will	
50/50 tickets will be sold for 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary cele- bration in 2018.	now be passing out 7 additional 50/50 raffle tickets to in- crease your chances of winning.	
Also please don't forget to bring a bear or two for the Salem Police Department and Marion County Sheriff for children in distress due to unfortunate circumstances beyond their control.	<b>50/50 Drawing: <u>Thank you Annie Koenig</u></b> for collecting \$95, \$48 to the club, <b>David Sullivan (Sully) drew Gary Welchel for \$24 and Jim Jacks drew Phyllis Welchel for \$23.</b>	
If you wish to participate in the gift exchange please bring the gift that night. (\$15.00 value)	Adjourn at 7:25pm	

After corrections, this is the correct point count for 2016 Member of the Year and 10 members of WVCA who earned the most participation points in 2016:

I O MICHIDOLD OI T	I VIX III	to carned the most participation points in 2010.
1 - Buzz Blogg	53 =	Member of the year
2 - Lee Hart	42	
3 - Ken Arck	40	
4 - Al Manrubia	39	
5 - Wayne Kreger	37	
6 - Julie Hughes	36	
7 - Duane Stark	36	
8 - Sandra Stark	35	
9 - Cindy Tuttle	34	
10 - Paul Ennor	32	10 – Maryann Burgess 32

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## Trivia Corner +

This is the last installment of Corvette Trivia and will end with the Godfather of the Corvette: Zora Duntov, whom we owe our Vettes to.

Larry Shinoda Corvette Designer 1963 split-window coupe: Larry grew up in an internment camp for Japanese Americans in California during World War II. he studied at the Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles but was kicked out. he is the designer the famous Corvette Sting Ray, the Z-28 Camaro, and the BOSS 302 Mustang. he worked for Ford Motor Company in 1955 for one year. in January of 1956, he worked for Packard but did not last long because at that time the company was facing financial problems. when he resign at Packard he went to Indianapolis where he was able to find a job. he worked on the car that won the Indy 500 that year that was driven by Pat Flaherty.

Larry Shinoda went to work for General Motors on September of 1956. he went to work in Mitchell's basement, he refine the design of the clay model into what is now the 1959 Sting Ray sports racer. Dr. Dick Thompson drove the Sting Ray racer. the Sting Ray racer was the foundation for the 1963 Shinoda designed Corvette Sting Ray.

With the collaboration of Mitchell, Duntov and Shinoda, the Corvette Sting Ray 1963 to 1967 is thought to be the best of the Corvettes and the most desirable. Larry's work was to take the Sting Ray racing car, and turn it into a production car which was not an easy task. he worked in the famous "Studio X" that was located underneath the front lobby, it was a small area but with big doors to move cars and clay models in and out.

Though suffering from an illness, Larry Shinoda still takes active part to the end. he designed the handsome "Shinoda Kit" for the CA Corvette and was working on the production of a limited run of Shinoda designed C5 Corvettes. he also worked with Cragar wheels on a 17", 18" and 20" Shinoda Design series. the graphic design for the Mid-American traveling Corvette exhibit was one of his last projects. he died on November 13, 1997 of a heart attack.

**Myron E. "Scottie" Scott: The man responsible for the name Corvette.** He worked for Dayton Daily News as an art director, an artist and a photographer for 22 years. After working with Dayton Daily News, he worked with Chevrolet as an assistant director for the Public Relations department. He worked on the photography of new cars, designing of press kits, graphics and special events. In 1953, there was a meeting that was held to find a name for a new Chevrolet sports c that would start with a letter "C".

Time passed and they haven't agreed on a name yet, until that night, when Scott at his home began searching in the C section of the dictionary an appropriate name for the new car. he was able to find the word "corvette" which he thinks as the best name for the car because of its definition which is- a speedy pursuit ship in British navy. He then present it to the group and was able to convince them. He retired in 1971 and died on October 4, 1998 at the age of 91. With the name Corvette, who could forget him?

**Zora Arkus-Duntov: The Godfather of the Corvette:** was born on December 25, 1909, a Christmas day in Belgium. he was born with both Russians parents, his father was a mining engineer and his mother a medical student in Brussels. his mother married Josef Duntov, another mining engineer, when his parents divorced. though his parents separate his father still lives with them. out of respect to the two important man in his life, his father and his step father Josef Duntov, he and his brother Yura took both their last name Arkus and Duntov and so he is now what we've known as Zora Arkus-Duntov.

Zora graduated from the Institute of Charlottenburg in 1934. he also writes engineering papers for the German motor publication Auto Motor und Sport. he met Elfi Wolf his wife, a German native who danced with the Folies-Begere in Paris. After they got married in 1939, Zora and his brother joined the French Air Force. *(continued on back page)*  Zora and his family lived in Manhattan when they were able to leave Portugal. together with his brother they set up a business and named it Ardun from their family name Arkus and Duntov. they supplied parts to the military and manufactured aluminum heads for the flathead Ford V8 engine. their business was doing good until they got a problem with their other business partner that starts the downfall of their business. Zora tried not to be affected with what happened to their business and so he accepted a job from England, a development work on the Allard sports car, co-driving it in 1952 and 1953 at Le Mans.

Impressed with the Motorama Corvette that was displayed in New York, he applied for a job in General Motors, he believed that he could improve the car especially the underneath of the car which is not so impressive for him. determined to work for GM, he wrote to Ed Cole, Chevrolet chief engineer his intentions on making improvements on the car, along with the letter was a technical paper that proposes an analytical method in determining a car's top speed. The people at Chevrolet was impressed with him and so he was offered a job as an assistant staff engineer, which he gladly accepted on May 1, 1953.

The memo that he wrote to his bosses entitled "Thoughts Pertaining to Youth, Hot Rodders and Chevrolet" became the foundation for the strategy that the company has used, that also made them the winning manufacturers ever in the history of motor racing. He became the director of high performance at Chevrolet, and he transformed GM's largest division into a youthful and exciting division, which was too far from what it was before. He developed the famous Duntov high-lift camshaft and in 1957 he helped in bringing the fuel injection to the Corvette. In 1963, he launched the Grand Sport program which captured the interest and imagination of Corvette fans all over the world. he retired in 1975 and turned his duties over to Dave McLellan.

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