



WILLAMETTE VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION  
 Happy Spring  
**GLASS SASS**



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**2014 Corvette Stingray  
 Production Stats:**

**41% Z51 Coupe –**  
 15,431 1LT – 9% 2LT –  
 29% 3LT – 61%

**30% Base Coupe –**  
 11,134 1LT – 23% 2LT –  
 42% 3LT – 35%

**15% Z51 Convertible –**  
 5,680 1LT – 4% 2LT –  
 23% 3LT – 73%

**14% Base Convertible –**  
 5,043 1LT – 13% 2LT –  
 42% 3LT – 45%

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**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**



This year, on April 18<sup>th</sup>, the WVCA will participate in the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Cherry Blossom Drive and Poker Run sponsored by the Salem Auto Club Council. This annual event raises money for the Boys and Girls Club and the Marion/ Polk Food Share program. The SACC represents 30 local clubs and organizations of all types of various auto interests. The WVCA representative to the council is Wayne Kreger. At the January member meeting Wayne suggested that WVCA sponsor one of the stops on the run where participants can purchase a poker hand for \$5. At the end of the run, the owners of the best hands are revealed and there will be cash prizes of

\$100, \$75 and \$50 awarded to the first, second and third place poker hands.

WVCA will be teaming up with Monte Miller at the Half Penny located at 3743 South Commercial St, to sponsor the last stop of the run. There will be a total of eight stops on the run, and each stop will have cards for sale and refreshments for participants. There will be collections of canned food for the Marion/ Polk Food Share and participants are encouraged to bring canned food donations for this awesome charity that supports local families in need.

The event will start at Walery's Pizza in West Salem at 9:00 and then head out to start the fun at the Brunk House in Rickreall, then on to the other stops.

It would be nice to have a good turnout as nothing looks better than **(cont on Page 7)**

**VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER**



Spring is here! Let's get ideas for some Saturday or Sunday Cruises in motion. **Past Events:**

Feb., **Valentine Brunch**, Eola Hills Winery, 22 corvettes, 40 people, Thank you **John and Della Edwards** for V.I.P. parking for our cars and a great day.

**Feb Jacket Night** was sponsored by **Wayne and Janet Kreger** at Mt Angel Sausage Company. (See Wayne's column in Jacket Night section.)

**Mar. Events:** Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>, 14 members and 7 cars traveled to Albany for **Cars & Coffee** at

Allan Bros. Coffee, Albany. (See Pictures on the website.)

**Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>, Rogue Valley Brewery**, Newport. Cruise was led by **Ken and Vikki Arck**. Members from Mt Hood and WVCA enjoyed a great day at the coast with pictures of members cars courtesy of Buzz Blogg. (See pictures on website.)

**Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>, McMinnville Wine & Food Fest**, Evergreen Air Museum, sponsored by **Joe and Margie Castro**. ( By publication this event will have come and gone.) Look for write up in April G.S.

**Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>, Jacket Night**, sponsored by **Tom and Shelly Paddock**. Meet by and leave Harbor Freight Parking Lot, Portland Rd. N.E. at 6:00 p.m., travel to Gallon House Pub in Silverton. Enjoy good food and company! **(continued page 7)**

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

<http://www.willamettevalleycorvettes.com>

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## Willamette Valley Corvette Association March Meeting Minutes Thursday March 5th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President **Tom Paddock**.

### Number of members present:

**Guests: Dan and Jennifer Anderson** – 1995 Jade Green Coupe  
**Ron Cota** – 2002 Black Convertible

**March Birthdays: Della Edwards 2<sup>nd</sup>, John Edwards 3<sup>rd</sup>, Stan Czerniak 18<sup>th</sup>, Gene Kraiter 21<sup>st</sup>, Shelly Paddock 24<sup>th</sup>, Julie Hughes 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**New Member: Jeanie McClelland** was unanimously voted in as a new member. She has met the membership requirements. **Motion** was put forth by **Lucky King**, seconded by **Jim Tiano** and passed without opposition.

**Treasurer's Report:** January Checking Balance \$3,930.32, February Checking Balance \$3,218.07, February Money Market Balance \$3,3208.09

**Motion** to accept Treasurer Report was put forth by **Buzz Blogg**, seconded by **Ken Arck** and passed without opposition.

**Motion** to accept the February minutes was put forth by **Lucky King**, seconded by **Vikki Arck** and passed without opposition.

### Announcements:

#### Past Activities:

**Valentine's Day Brunch (Edwards)** 2/15-Eola Hills Winery in Independence, this was a joint activity with Mt. Hood Corvettes, we had 24 cars attend.

**February Jacket Night (Kregers)** 2/18-Location Mt. Angel Sausage Company. We had 10 people attend the food was great, as usual.

Last minute drive to Albany to attend their 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday cars and coffee. We had 7 cars and went to Half Penny for lunch afterward.

#### Future Activities:

**McMinnville Wine and Food Festival (Castros)** 3/13-we will meet at the West Salem Roth's at 3:15, leave at 3:30.

**March Jacket Night (Paddocks)** 3/18 – we will go to the Gal-lon House in Silverton. Meet at Harbor Freight on Portland Rd at 6pm.

**Easter Brunch (Buzz/Barbara)** 4/5- we will meet at Home Depot at 8:15 to go to the Silver Falls Conference Center.

**Tax Run (Tuttles)** 4/11- TBD

**April Jacket Night (Edwards)** 4/15 - TBD

**Cherry Blossom Poker Run (Kreger)** 4/18- The event is 9-2, out stop will be Half Penny from 1-3pm  
**Iris Festival Parade (Kreger)** 5/16 – NEED 21 CARS! We will meet at Kreger's at 8:00 for coffee and return for lunch after the parade.

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruise In (Club)** 7/25

**Gold Beach Rafting (Tiano)** 8/8-9

**Roger Burgess** reminded everyone that anyone can put together an activity/run. It doesn't need to be club sanctioned, but only sanctioned events earn points towards member of the year.

**Apparel: Sherry Chandler** has the shirt order, please pick up your shirts and jackets and pay her.

**Miscellaneous: John Edwards** sold the old folding chairs for \$100, he gave the money to **Tom Paddock** to deposit into the WVCA checking account.

**Tech Time: Terry Roach** introduced his girlfriend **Lisa Haas**. He also mentioned how good of a job Hear No Evil did on his car, they found Baumgarden Antique Autos in Port Townsend. They had some pretty cool stuff.

**Vikki Arck** mentioned that Fred Meyer has C7 models for \$26.95.

**Paul Ennor** needs to replace the hinges on his 1982's rear window. He asked for help or recommendations. South Salem Auto Glass, and DB Custom in Newberg were referred.

**Trivia:** What year was the 8 track player introduced? Ken Arck answered correctly with 1977.

**Drawing:** \$62 was earned. \$30 to the club, Ron Cota drew Joe Castro for \$16, and Lisa Haas drew Joe Castro for \$16. Adjourn at 7:25pm

Respectfully submitted by Shelly Campbell - 3/10/2015



### Choices, Choices.....

In school one day, the teacher decided that in science class she would teach about the elements. So she stood in the front of the class and said, "Children, if you could have one raw element in the world what would it be?"

Little Stevie raised his hand and said, "I would want gold, because gold is worth a lot of money and I could buy a Porsche."

The teacher nodded and called on little Susie. Little Susie said, "I would want platinum, because platinum is worth more than gold and I could buy a Corvette"

The teacher smiled and then called on Little Johnny. Little Johnny stood up and said, "I would want silicon." The teacher said, "Why Johnny?"

He responded by saying, "Because my mom has two bags of it and you should see all the sports cars outside our house!"

### EOLA HILLS WINERY VALENTINE BRUNCH RUN

On Sunday, February 15th, **John and Della Edwards** hosted our annual Valentine Brunch Run at Eola



Hills Winery in Rickreall. The weather was gorgeous!

The group met at Wally's Pizza in West Salem. As in the past, Mt. Hood Corvettes joined WVCA for this event. We had a great turnout for the event, with around 25 Corvettes and over 50 people in attendance.

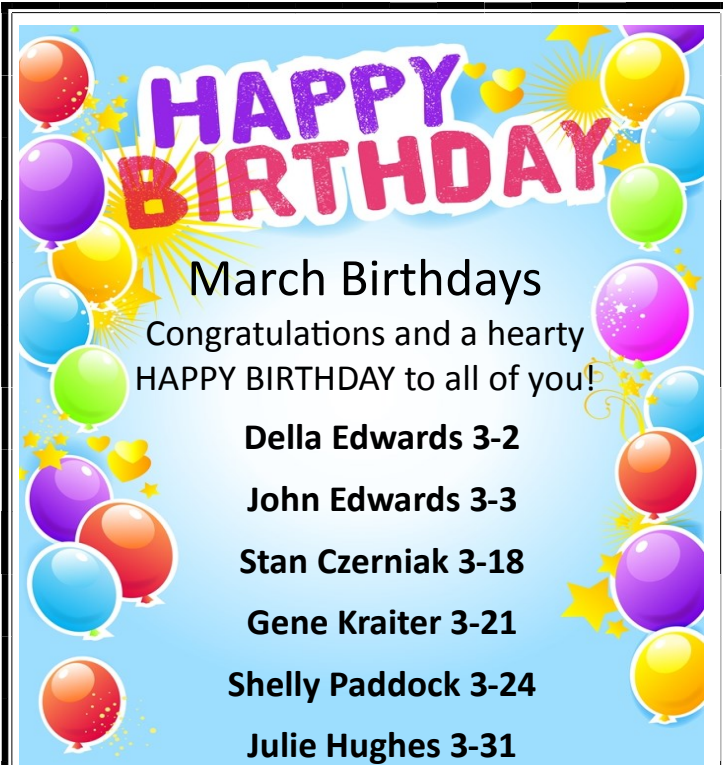
The staff at Eola Hills Winery blocked off a huge space in their parking lot

for all the cars to park together. The brunch, as always, had a great variety of items to eat and drink. As usual, the Pan-Fried Oysters were killer.

This year they had a nice separate area for the clubs



to sit in, which made it all the better. We had a drawing for two Valentine themed baskets, each club had a winner. Everyone appeared to have a very good time. *Della and John Edwards*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**March Birthdays**  
 Congratulations and a hearty  
 HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all of you!

**Della Edwards 3-2**  
**John Edwards 3-3**  
**Stan Czerniak 3-18**  
**Gene Kraiter 3-21**  
**Shelly Paddock 3-24**  
**Julie Hughes 3-31**



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**McMinnville Wine and Food festival**

It was an overcast but dry day, we were doing our Corvette watch from the Evergreen Museum waiting for our extended Corvette family to

arrive from west Salem led by Don and Sherry.

We heard them before we saw them (loud) we all lined up prior to our parking, which was a taped off area front row near the building entrance, we all had discounted tickets to park and for entrance fee thanks to Margie.

As we filed in we were all asked to show ID to make sure we were all over 21 (haha). I thought I saw a red tipped cane and a seeing eye dog (I could be wrong).

We all received a wine glass, so we could sample some of Oregon's fine wines. Small groups seemed to gather and

all go separate ways.

There was a plethora of winery's represented; you could do tastings or full glasses for a minimal fee, or you could buy a bottle or two to take home.

Also there was vodka and whiskey tastings, I bought a bottle of raspberry infused vodka (yum).

There was plenty of good food to purchase; Don found some barbecued oysters with extra hot sauce!!!!!!

Everyone headed out when they felt like it.

We hope everyone had a good time and hope to see more cars next year!!!!

This is a great cause to help support St.James School, it helps pay for tuition for those who fall short so all children can attend. Thanks, Joe and Margie

*Sherry*



**Corvette Tire Cracking Concerns**

*Friday, March 13th, 2015*

Lee Willard, Michelin lead engineer for Corvette, issued the following statement when

Michelin was contacted by Corvette Forum about the cracked tires:

"This winter has been extremely harsh in much of the country and some recently shipped Corvette tires may exhibit cracking. In general, summer tires should never be driven on or moved in temperatures under 20°F because they may crack. Tires should be carefully inspected at the dealership before taking delivery of a vehicle.

Never use a tire with freeze cracks, breaks, or damage to the sidewall or tread. For those residing in colder climates, Corvette owners should have a plan for vehicle storage during cold winter months. If your garage drops below 20°F regularly, consider removing tires and storing them inside.

If you live in colder climates and want to drive your vehicle in temperatures below 40°F we strongly recommend investing in a set of winter or all-season tires. *Lee Willard / Michelin*

[Grüß Gott](#)

# Jacket Night at the Mt Angel Sausage Company

The evening started by meeting in the Harbor Freight parking lot with an assembly of



John and Della enjoying a hug!

five freshly washed Corvettes and one tin car. The ten hungry folks headed out a 6:00 for a leisurely drive to



This is Buzz, the member who is never in a picture and his Fraulein, Barbara

Mt. Angel. The leader no problem, we still However, the driver of all Corvette drivers course on navigation don't think so!

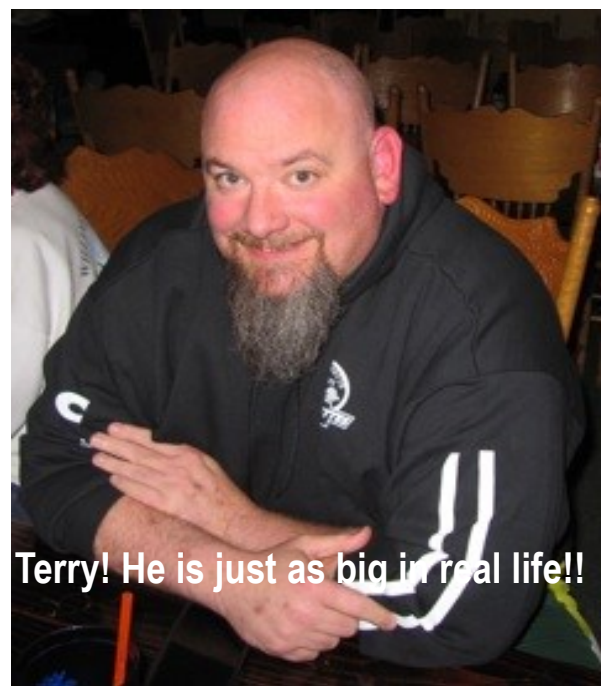
Once at the Sausage seated at our table der drinks from our evening provided an versation and a few



Shelly loves her cross-eyed Tom. He is our President??

missed one exit but made the intersection. a van might wonder if need a refresher and driving skill. I

Company, we were waiting our turn to or-waitress Teresa. The opportunity for con-pictures plus schnit-

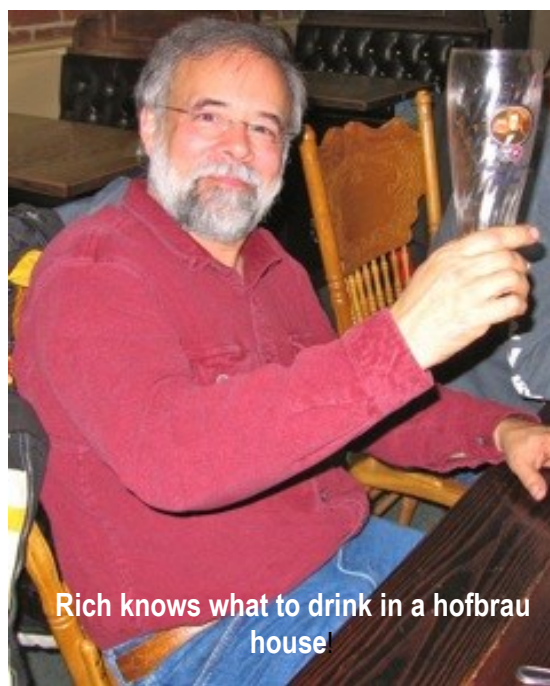


Terry! He is just as big in real life!!

zels, spaetzle, pommes fritz, knockwurst, bratwurst, sauerkraut and more.

Thank you Jim and Robin Hoke for the hospitality.

Auf wiedersehen, Wayne & Janet



Rich knows what to drink in a hofbrau house!

# WVCA Members and Their Cars



John and Della Edwards have a 2009 Cyber Grey Roadster and have been members since 2008 (Member of year 2010).



Paul & Pat Ennor have a 1982 collector edition roadster and have been members since 1973.



Dave & Kay Hanson have a 1999 Red roadster; they have been members since 1994.



Lee & Sally Hart have a 2007 LeMans Blue roadster and have been members since 1991.



Jim and Kerry Hudson have been members since 2007 and have a 2006 Monterey Red roadster. (Secretary 2011)



## Retro Article Still Applies



Corvettes provide many different types of enjoyment for their owners. For some it is a status symbol representing a reward for years of hard work and personal success. For some it is the thrill of driving a high performance vehicle with a beautifully crafted exterior that is sure to inspire all that come into contact with it. There is also the camaraderie among Corvette owners, culminating in the 'wave' as we pass each other on the road. It is a fact that Corvette owners love Corvettes, and we can appreciate each other's enthusiasm regardless of the generation of Corvette they drive with this simple gesture.

Corvettes draw attention whenever they are seen. The only thing more impressive than seeing this symbol of the pinnacle of American automotive technology driving down the road is seeing several Corvettes together as a group. One of the first events I went on with the WVCA was a day drive up through Portland and then into the Columbia Gorge for breakfast. One of the highlights of this day for me was seeing all the

young kids looking out the windows from the back seats and the looks on their faces as they pointed and waved excitedly at each Corvette they saw passing by. When we parked, people walking by would stop to look in and ask questions about our cars. I have had this experience when I am out driving by myself, but it doesn't compare to the attention that happens when in a group with other Corvettes.

The WVCA activities committee has already put together a busy calendar of events for the year. The idea behind a year plan is to provide members with many opportunities for varied activities with enough notice to be able to plan to attend and participate in as many events as possible. These activities include drives, car shows, charitable events and some events to simply get together and enjoy each other's company. There are plenty of openings in the schedule for other activities and everybody is welcome to bring their ideas forward for consideration by the membership. The WVCA should be about more than just attending the monthly meeting and then off to Walery's for pizza.

If there could be a word or theme for this year, I think it should be PARTICIPATION. As our club begins moving towards its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration we should be proud that we are members of one of the oldest Corvette clubs in the Northwest. Let's look forward to building a strong and lasting future for our club, the WVCA. *Tom Paddock Feb 2014 issue Glass Sass*

### April Events: (continued from page 1)

**Apr. 5<sup>th</sup>, Easter Brunch**, sponsored by **Buzz Blogg and Barbara Fuller**. Meeting and leaving at 8:15 a.m. from Home Depot, 3795 Hagers Grove S.E. Salem, traveling to Silver Falls Conference Center for 9:30 brunch. Cost, \$26.95, Seniors \$24.95. Please call Buzz and Barbara 5 days in advance with cancelations.

**Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>, Tax Run**, sponsored by **Steve and Cindy Tuttle**. In planning stages, details at April general meeting.

**Apr.15<sup>th</sup>, Jacket Night**, sponsored by **John and Della Edwards**, in planning stages.

**Apr. 18<sup>th</sup>, Cherry Blossom Drive and Poker Run**. Charity for Boys and Girls Club, sponsored by SACC, **Wayne Kreger and Dave Walery**. Start Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., at Walery Parking Lot, West Salem. Cards \$5.00 each stop, 8 stops. Last stop, Half Penny / WVCA. Need club members help collecting money and handing out cards in shifts so all can participate in Poker Run. (Too many details to list, see event calendar on website or call Wayne, 503-586-3357.)

Mark your calendar for **May Events**:

**May 16<sup>th</sup>, Keizer Iris Parade**, need **21 Corvettes**. Sponsored by **Wayne and Janet Kreger**. Will discuss details at April General Meeting.

**May 20<sup>th</sup>, Jacket Night**, sponsored by **Jim and Roxana Tiano**, in planning stages.

**Jim and Roxana Tiano** are planning a overnight trip **Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>** to Gold Beach on Sat. for a **Rogue River Rafting Trip**, overnight stay, Sunday, drive through the Redwood Forest in northern CA and lunch at Crater Lake on the return home. Great places with picturesque views to take pictures of your cars. Please contact Jim soon at [jtiano@att.net](mailto:jtiano@att.net) so he can make reservations.

Did You Know: Any member can plan a cruise any day. If you want to sponsor for points it has to be sanctioned at the general meeting. Keep On Cruising and Save The Wave. *Roger*

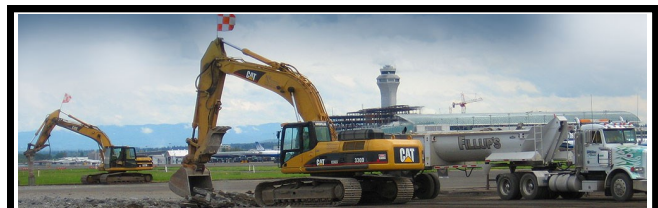
(cont from page 1) a group of Corvettes going down the road together, and this is a great way to put the WVCA out in the front of the public and maybe you will win some money too.

There will be a sign up sheet passed around at the April member meeting so that members can sign up and stay informed with what is going on. We will also need a few volunteers to help at the Half Penny. Wayne and Don Chandler are working with Monte and details on what will be necessary from WVCA volunteers will be determined before the event. I am sure we will make our stop one of the most memorable of the run.

*Tom Paddock*



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