

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION

GLASS SASS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the February newsletter. You'll notice that there has been a change to the format no doubt. In keeping with the 2025 goals, the responsibility for the newsletter is undergoing change. Hopefully the result will allow the publishing of the newsletter to transition more easily from one person to another, reduce board members' time commitment and encourage more of our members to contribute. If you're interested in taking over the responsibilities for the newsletter, please let me know. The publishing of the newsletter is a requirement of the club bylaws and facilitates several important actions throughout the year.

Aside from newsletter business, I heard the February meeting went well. My apologies for not being able to attend. January was a very stressful month. When politics become more about tearing others down than building something better, everyone loses, regardless of which side you stand on.

For the February meeting, I asked the membership to contribute what they were doing to love their corvette this month. As you might have seen from Facebook, my corvette is getting extra love. When I bought the car used last year the front fascia was full of rock chips, too many to try to work with. I ended up buying a new, painted fascia from paintedoemparts.com. The old fascia is off, and the new one is waiting to be put back on. While I had the front end off, the engine bay is getting some love too. I installed a vacuum line tuck kit from American Car Craft and sanded off the AFE logo on the cold air intake that was rubbing on my hood liner. Still to be added to the engine bay is a new painted fuse box cover and an alternator cover. The hood was removed to get painted and while it's off I'm replacing the struts. The old ones couldn't keep the hood up on a windy day last summer. Kelly and I are both also replacing our dusty brake pads with Power Stop Z26 Carbon Fiber Ceramic Brake Pads bought through RockAuto. The center trim of the roof and the a-pillars are getting painted in carbon flash to match the rest of the carbon flash areas by Kevin Burnette in Lyons. He was referred to us by a friend of a friend and so far he's done great work! Earlier this winter he re-cleared my hood to fix some damage that was there when I bought the car. Lastly, I'm getting the seatbelts re-webbed in a color that matches the car. That part of the project has been a bit of a frustration with the webbing company but I'm hoping it will all work out. I think there's other things still on the list but I feel like spring is already just around the corner and I want to be out on the road! Hope you're winter projects are all going well car related or otherwise. If you need assistance or have any questions about your car projects, please reach out! If someone in the club doesn't know, we probably know someone who knows!

Hoping to see you at the February Jacket Night at the Flight Deck!

WVCA MEETING MINUTES

6 February 2025

Meeting Called to Order 6:30 PM

Time: 6:30 – 7:30

Location: Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum, Powerland Heritage Park, Brooks, Oregon

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1830 by Joe Peters

January Birthdays announced:

- Lou Berry 2/10
- Eva Mather 2/13
- Mollie Hendricks 2/18

2. Roll Call / Attendance

- Present: List of board attendees: Joe Peters, Pat Peters, Brent Wilson, Kelly Smothers, Gary Hill, no new guests. 31 members present.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 January 2025, published in the Glass Sass newsletter prior to the meeting. - Any updates to the minutes as published: none

4. Officer and Committee Reports

- President's Report:

- No New members that meet membership requirements to join.
- We currently have 81 paid members. Up from the 55 paid members we reported in January. Robert Hill has not renewed his membership due to health issues which keep him from attending events. Lori and Isaac Palmer sold their corvette. Roch & Amy Belisle are not renewing.
- According to our records the following members have not paid and have not responded to attempts to contact them:
 - Don Bond
 - Robert and Annie Koenig
 - Boni and Gary Lawrence
 - Joe Rae & George Perkins
 - Steve and Cindy Tuttle
 - Scott & Harriett Savage
 - Bill Selman
 - Dave Walery

They will be removed from the roster, Facebook, the newsletter and any other communications.

- Comments were only received from two members regarding the revision of the bylaws and the constitution. Andrea hasn't had time to review the comments or

the bylaws and the constitution. The goal is to review the comments and draft changes for the board to review later this month. The tentative plan is to email the revisions out to the membership before the March meeting. Amendments will be voted on by the members present at the March meeting.

2025 Club Management Changes

- Online paying has been removed from the WVCA website. We only had maybe a handful of people pay online this last year. Kelly is the only person with access and visibility of that function. This makes it a single point of failure and very difficult to hand off to someone else to manage.
- The primary method of communication for the club will be via email or via the membership meeting. Facebook and the website will continue to be alternate means.

Other news

- Tentatively planning for the President's Run in either June or October. TBD
- The British Columbia Corvette Club is having their 60th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Event in August. Kelly and Andrea are thinking about traveling to BC to attend but it depends on how the politics are going.

- **Vice President's Report:** Given by Joe Peters.

- February 7-9 Capital City Motor Madness, State Fairgrounds
- February 19 Jacket Night Dorothy Ezell Flight Deck Restaurant 2680 Aerial Way SE Salem Or
- March 1-2 Salem Roadster Show - State Fairgrounds
- April 12th - Cherry Blossom Run 9:00 New Harbor Freight
- May 10 - Cascade High School Car Show 10226 Marion Rd. NE, Turner Or.
- June 7 - Paralyzed Veterans Show and Shine 9:00am AC&MC Museum Brooks
- June 7-8 MAG Auction Salem Fairgrounds
- July 13 - 9:00 Springhill Park North Albany
- July 17-19th Vette Fest Boise Idaho
- July 18-20 - SOCA Corvette weekend. Grants Pass
- July 26 - Brent Strohmeyer Memorial Foundation Car Show 9:00am Sunrise Park Sublimity

- **Treasurer's Report:** Given By Kelly Smothers

	Balance
Checking	\$ 3,669.46
Petty Cash	\$ 286.00
Savings	\$ 12,941.99
Interest	\$.54

TOTAL	\$ 16,897.45

SACC: Joe Peters - Nothing to report at this time.

Bowling Green Update:

5. Old Business:

Dorothy spoke to both the Railroad trip and Rogue River trip. More to follow

6. New Business: No motions made.

7. Good of the order: Dorothy talked about Nick, Kelly and Bob Valin visiting a friend of hers with a '67. They went over it to give recommendations on its future. Julie mentioned that cap chevy has 3 C8s on the lot.

50/50 amounts 83/41/41

Larry Raaf and Dave Schwerdt were tonight's winners.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1900 by Andrea Smothers.

Next Meeting: [March 6th, 1830, NWVC&MM

Secretary's Signature: Kelly J. Smothers, Secretary, WVCA, 7 February, 2025



Nick and Martie Valenzuela's photo got the most 'likes' on the Facebook page last month.

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 Northwest Car and Motorcycle Museum, 3995 Brooklake Rd NE, Salem, Oregon 97303. We welcome all Corvette enthusiasts and prospective members to 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:

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