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## THE "PREZ" SAYS

### FEBRUARY 2009

My friends, it is my sad duty to inform you that "Soupy" of Soupy Sales has passed away. He died on January 14 of this year from complications of cancer. We will be talking about this at the meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Earlier this month (January) it came to my attention that we may be losing our meeting place at Casey's Bar and Grill. I spoke with Joe the owner and the confusion over whether or not we would continue to meet there has been resolved. It seems that my conversation with one of the waitresses after our December meeting regarding the fact that we would not be there in January never got back to Joe, the owner. All has been resolved and we are more than welcome each month, food and drink will still be available. This does not mean that a new venue can't be found that may suit our needs better. A couple of people are working on that very thing. I will keep you informed.

The events committee seems to be on top of this years' activities; keep those suggestions coming they will be very helpful when we sit down on the 22<sup>nd</sup> to put the events together for this year. There have been some very good suggestions regarding a new venue for our meetings. Please be at the meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, your input is wanted.

The Corvette plant in Bowling Green has been closed and will remain closed till at least March 1<sup>st</sup>. When production does return, there will only be one shift making cars at the rate of 11 per hour. That means only 88 cars per day. Any one want to guess how many of those will be ZR1's? My guess, very few if any.

Wasn't this years "Party" a big success!!!! Good job to the events committee. Think about this for next year. I am in favor of a December Christmas party in December. Think about this for awhile and we can discuss it at a future meeting.

Witty words of wisdom: Never eat prunes when you are famished.

Till next month,

CHUCK.





Of the 40,561 Corvettes built, 10,918 were convertibles and 5,023 had the 80U exterior color code, Monterey Red Metallic.

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I have a '57, F1 4 speed and wanted to add another 50 years older. I started checking with GM and they sent me to the closest dealers. They wouldn't talk to me so I ended up in Portland. They had no problem ordering me a car. I talked to them in Feb. of '06, put in my order in may and took delivery on Sept. 9, 2006. It is a Monterey Metallic Red, 6 speed manual, performance suspension with almost every option I could get. Sill plates, floor mats, under hood mat, under hood light, grill, side and rear exhaust screens, trunk mat and protector, power top, interior painted body color, painted door handles, rear third light and car cover. The picture was taken just before you get to Rockford on a private drive.

Thomas Connors

*Our apologies to Tom for getting the color wrong. Arlyn & Pat*

## SPOKANE CORVETTE CLUB

### Meeting Minutes

**February 13, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Chuck Adams.

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Meeting location. It appears that Casey's is no longer a viable meeting location. It was moved, seconded, and passed to meet next month (March 12) at Timber Creek in Argonne Village. Big room, good parking, no alcohol.

Soupy of Soupy Sales has passed away. The club will send a card.

#### **Financial Report**

Treasurer Barb Beck reported a beginning balance of \$4528.71, and an ending balance of \$3681.30. She also reported that the club received Thank you's from Mid City Concerns and Toys for Tots for our donations. March 31 is the deadline for dues to be paid in order to be on the membership roster.

#### **Announcements**

The INCCC scholarship application is available. The scholarship amount is \$1500.00. Also, they are looking for a webmaster. The INCCC calendar will be available at the car show and at NAPA stores.

Car d'Alene will take place on June 13 with the cruise the night before. It is for '72 and earlier vehicles.

The Big Sky Corvette Meet is in Billings during Memorial Day weekend. A number of club members are going, leaving on May 21 (Thursday.) They are planning to tour through Virginia City. Our club has gotten the plaque for the largest attendance for the last two years.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to go to Cranbrook instead of Nelson for this year's Fall Run to Canada. There will be a report on that at the next meeting.

On April 26 Chuck and Lorie Adams are organizing the Spring Run to Grand Coulee Dam. It will be a picnic (in every sense of the word!) Chuck is reasonably certain that the snow will stop by then. They are also planning a Labor Day weekend run to be headquartered in Leavenworth.

The 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Corvette Museum will be marked by an enormous run from all over the country to Bowling Green. You can take part in part of the run to share the fun! (You don't have to go on the entire run.) Participants will be leaving here on August 29. About 10,000 Corvettes are expected!

Next week, February 21, we will have the Bunco Party at the Wildlife Council building on north Market Street. It's potluck, with a 5:00 pm social, 6:00 dinner, and it only costs \$5.00 to play, with the entry money going for the prizes.

The Events Committee is meeting on February 22 at Mike and Millie Taitch's home at 2:00 pm.

On March 21 we will have a bowling party at River City Lanes in Post Falls at 7:00 pm. Following drawings, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

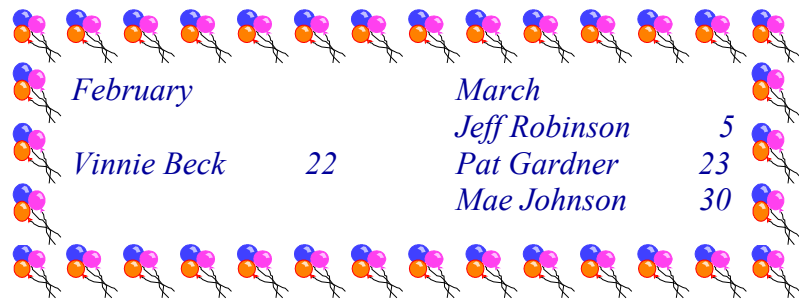
Respectfully submitted,

Bob Crabb, secretary

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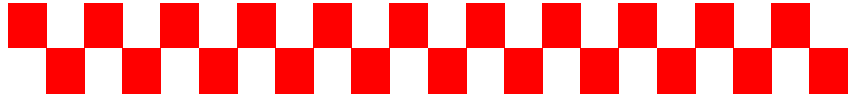


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## Schedule of Club Events



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### UP COMING EVENTS

**Feb. 21st—Bunko Party at the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council**

**Mar. 12th—Meeting will be held at the Timber Creek in Argonne Village.**

**Mar. 21st—Bowling Party at River City Lanes in Post Falls at 7:00 PM.**

**April 26th—Spring Run, Picnic at Grand Coulee Dam.**

**May 22nd—25th Big Sky Meet in Billings Montana. A number of members will be leaving on Thursday the 21st.**



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### Historic Dates

**February 18, 1956:** John Fitch arrives in Sebring, Florida to begin preparations for the entry of four Corvettes into the 12-hour Sebring race just five weeks away. Fitch, possibly the finest American road racer of his era, was hired by Ed Cole who was energized by Duntov's success (and the resulting publicity) following the Daytona Beach runs.

**February 18, 1961:** The Sting Ray Racer debuts as a show car at the Chicago Auto Show. It has retired from racing, and been refinished to perfection.

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