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Due to the size and the important nature of his message this month, we are moving President Matt's Message to page two.

Enjoy these photos from 2023



September Presidents Message

Hi everybody. Once again, September is here and fires are filling the sky with smoke. Fires seem to be everywhere. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the people of Maui and to our own member, Mike Garretson, who is currently helping with recovery efforts. Keeping in mind that the best time to fight a fire is before it starts, I'm going to delve into ways to incorporate firewise landscaping in and around your home.

To begin, 3 things are needed for fire: oxygen, fuel and heat. Interrupt any of those and the fire dies. Water cools and smothers a fire. Removing fuel starves the fire. Remove oxygen and the fire is smothered.

Let's discuss fire department access. Prune vegetation along your driveway so the fire truck doesn't prune your trees by mistake with its windshield. Fire departments like a swath 15 feet wide for fire truck access. Clear a path 15 feet tall to ensure the fire trucks can pass underneath without hitting limbs. Be sure your address is marked and readable from the road so they can find you.

Fuel ladders and fuel chains refer to the amount of fuel available to a ground fire to climb up into a tree via the limbs near the ground (fuel ladders) or for a fire to spread horizontally from plant to plant (fuel chains). By removing rungs or links and interrupting the fuel ladders or chains, you can stop a fire from spreading. Limb up your trees to achieve branch clearance as high as you can, 15 feet is recommended. If your tree can't sustain 15 feet of pruning (i.e. 10-foot-tall sapling) you can break up the fuel chain instead. A good rule of thumb is to get 10 feet between trees. Be sure to break up the fuel chain between your home and the surrounding forest so fire doesn't spread from one to the other. Expect flames to reach 3 to 5 times the height of the vegetation that is burning. Pay attention to slope... the steeper the slope the faster the fire will spread preheating fuel going uphill and spreading rolling debris downhill.

Here are some basic ideas to keep in mind:

Remove invasives like scotch broom to eliminate fuels and promote good forest health.

Small diameter stems like grass ignite and burn quicker than thicker stems.

Trees can provide shaded fuel breaks and choke out scotch broom which hates shade.

Remove deadwood as much as possible from trees. You can cut up deadwood so it lays close to the ground for wildlife habitat. Try to keep it below knee height.

Plant wisely... Keep fast burning oily plants away from your house. Rosemary is oily while lavender is not. Think about how tall that tree you are planting can grow. Will it grow up into power lines or the eaves of your home? Remember plant the right tree in the right place.

Clear the limbs around your chimney to achieve 15 feet of clearance. Roofs and gutters should be kept clean and free of flammables like needles, leaves and tree limbs.

Consider closing in areas like eaves and underneath decks to prevent sparks from lodging in and starting a fire. Plywood can be used to create smooth surfaces that discourage sparks from getting trapped in corners.

Check for singed limbs and leaves near power lines. This can indicate that the vegetation is contacting the powerlines on a windy or hot day from line sway or sag. A 200-foot-long span of high voltage conductors can sag up to 4 feet on a hot day. Contact your power company if you note any vegetation that looks burnt near powerlines.

Once again, the best time to fight a fire is before it starts!

**That's all for this month,
Your humble narrator and president at large,
Matt**

NETTE GAZETTE

August 2023 - a busy month for Cascade Corvette Club, despite the heat dome and smoky conditions.

August 1 - TNAT Golf Day at Tokatee Golf. We had a great turnout with five full teams this year. The team of Mike Larion, Ken Dilger, Dennis Hough and Marc Strobel won with a score of 3 under 69.



August 11 - Our monthly General Meeting was held at Toxic Burger in Creswell. Great idea & good food, but a little hard to hear.

August 12 - Corvettes on the Bay. 10 Corvettes from CCC attended on a beautiful Oregon Coast day, sunny & 75 degrees. Two class wins among those 10 cars - Gary Vaughn in C3 and Jim & Nancy in C7.



August 17 - Project Hope. 12 CCC members helped sort some of the 3000 pair of kid's shoes to be donated to children in need by Project Hope. Of course it had to be followed with food to celebrate Larry Thomas' & Jeff Albright's birthday.

August 19 - Hot August Nights, Lebanon. This was a great show in 2022.... In 2023, not so much.

August 24 - Hot August Nights, Springfield VFW. CCC would have won club participation if there had been such a category. Stan C. won a trophy.



In addition to those events, several club members won awards at various car shows around the state, including Ken Judson, Richard Vejnaska and Kevin Menten. Congratulations to all!

Stan Stiles
June 3, 1947 - August 28, 2023

It is always painful when we lose a member of our Cascade Corvette Club family, but this one is deeply personal. He was my friend and I will miss him dearly. The same can be said for all who knew him. Please pray for and support his wife Becky as she navigates life without Stan.

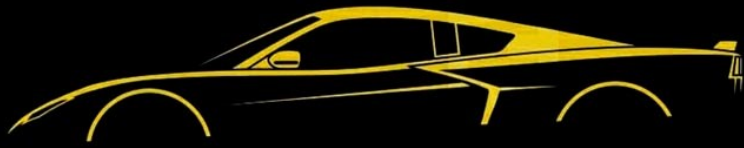
Stan was born in San Diego, but lived most of his early life in Arizona. He bounced around several places and attended several schools, but he liked to tell stories about being a Yuma High School Criminal. When he graduated he had an offer of an athletic scholarship to play baseball at Arizona State University, but family needed his support so he got a job instead. He later attended Sacramento State, got married and joined the Army. His service to his country later defined his life.

Stan and his first wife had two sons, Steven and Brian. When that marriage dissolved, Stan moved to North Bend and got involved with the construction industry. That is also where he met Becky. Those two were like a couple of high school kids in love, just silly and giggly with each other. It was a beautiful thing. Or as Stan would say, "Cool Beans".

No remembrance of Stan is complete without talking about his military service in Viet Nam. He was proud of his service and protective of all his fellow Veterans. Some of his proudest moments was driving his Corvettes in the Veteran's Day Parade. But his service also left it's mark on Stan in the form of PTSD and the affects of Agent Orange. His last 10 years have been years of debilitating pain and suffering. A stroke in 2021, while on a Corvette trip, was misdiagnosed and by the time he got home the damage had been done and was irreversible. The stroke took his memory and Agent Orange finally took his body. Today he is finally pain free.

Rest In Peace and Godspeed brother.





Misc. Notes

September Events

Sept. 8 - Cascade Corvette Club General Meeting will also be our Annual Hot Dog BBQ ! We will be meeting in the parking lot of Westside Baptist Church, corner of Irving & Northwest Expressway at 5:30 pm and touring to Halsey City Park. Members from the north can meet us at the park or tour with us from N. Eugene. See flyer on pg. 8 for recommendations for potluck items to bring.



Sept. 9 - Grants Pass Automotive Corvette Show, formerly Jim Sigel Chevrolet Corvette Show by SOCA. We will be discussing travel plans at the Sept. 8 meeting.

Sept. 14-16 - Corvettes on the Columbia, Richland, WA. Link for registration: <http://www.3riverscorvetteclub.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Corvettes-on-the-Columbia-Registration-2023-R1-1.pdf> We will also be discussing travel plans for this event at the Sept. 8 meeting.

Sept. 28 - We have been invited by South Willamette Valley Honor Flight to escort the next group of Veterans on their Honor Flight journey. We will meet the Veterans at the VA on Chad Dr. and will escort the bus as far as the Santiam Rest Area north of Albany. This is a rain or shine event. Specific times will be posted when we know more. Please RSVP.

We now have two 24" x 36" vinyl club banners with frames. If you are going to a function please request to take one with you. See a banner at the Sept. 8 meeting.

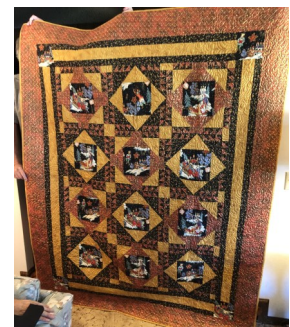
Sept. 2 - Cars & Coffee with Porsche Club of America. *This time I am sure on the date!* Meet at 10:00 am at Oasis Plaza (across from Sheldon H.S.)

The Porsche club has also suggested a joint cruise Sept. 10, leaving at noon from Oasis Plaza. Nancy & I will not be available that day, but we really don't need a tour leader, just meet, drive and enjoy.

A long-held tradition of CCC is a \$1 "fine" for not wearing your nametag to General Meetings. This started as a way to build the treasury when the club had NO funds and has continued to this day as an incentive to wear it to the meetings. It is equally important now due to the large number of new members we have seen over the last few years. New members can pick up their nametags at the General Meetings.

Christmas Quilt Raffle

Ticket sales continue until December 8. Winning ticket will be drawn during our Annual Meeting / Year-End Banquet / Christmas Party. \$5 per ticket.





Happy Birthday!

SEPTEMBER

- 4 Ken Judson
- 12 Connie Swartz
- 19 Bob Newcomb
- 21 Robert Edmiston
- 22 Rhonda Honsowetz
- 27 Jeanette Gum
- 28 Wanda Hinde
- 29 Bob Bailey
- 29 Carolyn Kidd

Club Clothing

We have two options for embroidered club clothing & hats.

Fiddler's Green Golf Center
Embroidery Dept.
can order anything you like
and will embroider our club logo
for a small fee.

Or you may take in any
garment, regardless where it was
purchased and they will embroider
the club logo for you.



2024 Pacific Northwest Corvette Caravan update.

Registration for the 2024 Pacific Northwest Corvette Caravan has begun and the response has been positive! Our Caravan Captain, John Warren reports that he has 230 cars on his pre-registration list and 170+ have completed the registration as of Aug. 26. If you are one of those who “pre-registered”, you should have received the registration form by email. The PNW registration is \$50 per person which covers breakfast on departure morning, lunch on Day 1 in Pasco, buffet dinner & presentation in Cheyenne, WY, entry into The Museum of American Speed in Lincoln, NE and some PNW swag.

A separate National Corvette Caravan registration will be available Sept. or Oct. of 2023.

Only those who have completed the PNW registration will receive a full list of hotel blocks for our 7 day journey and the four nights in Bowling Green. Release of the hotel info is scheduled for Sept. 6, 2023.

If you did not receive the registration or would like to request a form, contact John Warren at 2024pnwcaptain@gmail.com



September 8
CCC General Meeting
Halsey City Park
(see flyer on pg. 8)

September 9
Jim Sigel Corvette Show
Grants Pass, OR
(name changed to)
Grants Pass Automotive Corvette Show

September 10
Heroes & Hot Rods
American Legion Post 83
Eugene

September 14 - 16
Corvettes on the Columbia
Tri-Cities, WA



September 28
Honor Flight Escort

December 8
CCC Year-End
Annual Meeting / Christmas Party

📁👉 Law of Mechanical Repair

- After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

📁👉 Law of Gravity

- Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.

📁👉 Law of Probability

- The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

📁👉 Law of Random Numbers

- If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal; someone always answers.

📁👉 Variation Law

- If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now.

📁👉 Law of the Result

- When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, IT WILL!!!

📁📄👉 Law of Logical Argument

- Anything is possible IF you don't know what you are talking about.

Jim Hahn (the Tool Peddler) passed away Aug. 8. Jim held several offices in CCC including president. One of his famous quotes was: "If you can't be on time, be early." That came about because people would show up 10-30 minutes late for a 7:00 p.m. meeting when we were at Romania Chevrolet. You can read more about Jim's life at majorfamilyfuneralhome.com

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Hot Dog BBQ September 08, 2023 General Meeting, Halsey Park

We will be holding our September General Meeting under the covered area in the Halsey City Park on Friday September 8th at 6:00 p.m.

A tour group will be leaving from the Westside Baptist Church parking lot, 1375 Irving Road (on the corner of Irving and Northwest Expressway), at 5:30 p.m.. Or you can meet us at the park if you need to come later; members from the north can meet us in Halsey.

The club will provide Hot Dogs, buns, condiments, baked beans and tossed green salad, plus plates, napkins and utensils.

We are asking club members to bring appetizers, salads, fruit or dessert **and** their own drinks. (Sorry no alcohol in the park.) And please wear your name tags.

Let's all enjoy a fun drive, good food and a great summer evening.





SEPTEMBER 9TH GRANTS PASS AUTOMOTIVE

Formerly known as Jim Sigel Chevrolet

Southern Oregon Corvette Association LLC



**All Corvettes
Welcome**

Opens at 9:00AM

Closes at 2:00PM

**Cost of entry is
\$25 raffle prize**

Entry Information

Car Owners Name

Car Year

Manufacturers color

Club Affiliation

Email to

ronpat85@gmail.com

Meet at Banner Bank
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By 8:30

Ask about lunch from
Corvettes Bar & Grill

541-659-0132
Ron Howard
SOCA President

Lunch provided by The Corvette Bar & Grill

Lunch served at 11:00 am

You must pre-order your meal choices.

You may pay at the show, but you must have the correct change.

Sandwich Options

- Beef Roast French Dip includes au jus
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- Veggie Sandwich

Side options

- Homemade potato salad
- Macaroni salad
- Potato Chips

Lunch Cost is \$ 18.00 per
person



HEROES AND HOT RODS

ANNUAL CAR
SHOW

Sunday
September 10th

Car Show & Shine 10am to 3pm

Awards 2:00pm

FOOD – DRINKS – AWARDS – BAND

Car Registration \$25

FREE TO PUBLIC

American Legion Post 83 Invites You to Bring Your Classic Car, Hotrod, Custom Truck, or Bike to The Post for A Show & Shine.

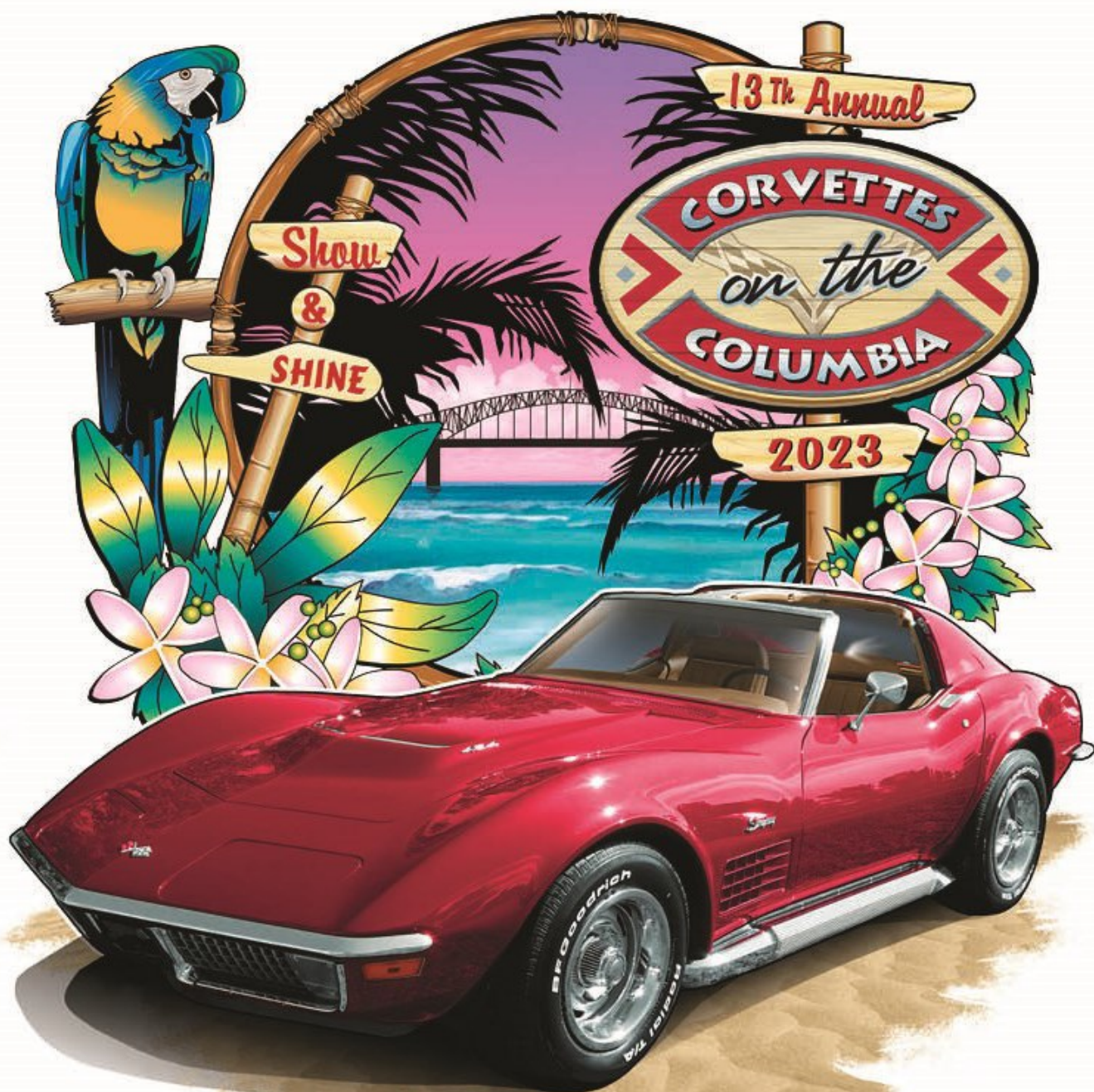
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