

# High Desert Corvette Club

Newsletter
December 2019

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President's Pondering II

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

I'm finding it amazing that 2019 is coming to an end so quickly, how did that happen (lol).

The Veterans day parade was great, we had 10 Corvettes attend and carried Vets from all different branches of the armed forces. A big shout out to everyone who attended and helped out.

We hope everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving with family and friends, and you didn't eat too much turkey and dressing (Mmmmm).

This year our Dec. I Ith Christmas party will be at "Brand 33 @ Aspen Lakes Golf Club". If you signed up and haven't paid, the deadline is Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> so we know how many meals to prepare.

**NEW NEWS** - Beginning in January 2020 we are going to change the meeting time to the following;

5:00-6:00pm = COHD meeting (2020 event planning committee)

6:00-7:00pm = HDCC monthly meeting

7:00pm = Dinner

There will *not* be a monthly meeting in December. Enjoy the holidays!

"Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love." ...

Mother Theresa

Don Ginter
HDCC President



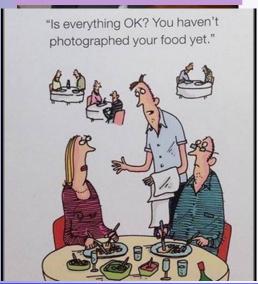
#### **December Anniversaries**

- 2 Mike & Judy McClean
- 5 Henry & Joan McDonnell
- 29 Barry & Christine Larson

  December Birthdays
- 7 Jessica Andersen
- 15 Scott Foote
- 15 Ann Lankford
- 20 Stephanie Cooper
- 21 Don Agosto
- 25 Deane Cooper

# Sande Burgess won the November 50/50 Jackpot Drawing





## **Activities**

**December** 10 COHD Mtg, Schrank's Club House

I I HDCC Christmas Party Aspen Lakes.I 6 Christmas at the Oregon GardensWinter Rides in the Snow Dates TBD

January 29 Social Night at Okawa's Steak House

February 26 Social Night Tumalo Feed Company

March End of year banquet TBD

May 21-25 R V Camp out Casey"s AV Park

June Big Sky Corvette Meet, Bozeman, MT

4-6 Monterey Coast Corvette Cruise

Monterey, CA

5-6 Corvettes on the Columbia Tri -Cities

5-6 Trout Lake Trip

13 Corvette City Cruise Roseburg, OR

July 15-18 Black Hills Corvette Classic

Spearfish, S.D.

17-18 Corvettes on the High Desert

Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond. OR

Aug 28-30 Sea to Sky Hosted by British Colum

bia Corvette Club, Squamish, B.C.



# High Pesert Corvette Club...2019...Christmas Party

Yeu are cerdially inxited to our annual, holiday celebration.

DATE: Wednesday, December 11, 2019

LOCATION: Aspen Lakes Golf Club, 16900 Aspen Lakes Dr., Sisters, OR 97759

ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT HOUR: 5:00-6:00 pm / DINNER: 6:00-7:00 PM

COST: \$39.00 per person

**ENTREES**: Beef Marsarla / Parmesan Crusted Mahi (Buffet)

Aspen Lakes house salad, Choice of dressings

Butter sauteed vegetables

Rosemary roasted potatoes

Dessert bar

Includes: Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee, Soda

GIFT EXCHANGE: 7:00-9:00PM / \$20 Value

Please mark your gift for a Female, Male or Generic

\*\*SOMETHING NEW\*\*: We will have a 50/50 drawing so bring some extra

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Your payment and RSVP *must be received by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 4<sup>th</sup></u>. <u>Please note</u>: Any cancellations after this date will not be refunded.* 

MAIL CHECK, PAYABLE TO HDCC, TO: Gay Jackson

P. O. Box 6442 Bend, OR 97708

This is a great time, don't miss it!!!!!!!

#### FEATURED MEMBERS

#### Bob and Gay Jackson

Long time HDCC members Bob and Gay grew up in the Portland area and attended schools there. They met while both attended Portland State University. They matriculated to Oregon State University where they graduated. Bob in predentistry and Gay in education.

Bob continued to the University of Oregon Dental school and Gay began her teaching career emphasizing business education. She started teaching in St Helens and eventually ended her career teaching at Mountain View High School in Bend.

Bob began his dental practice in Bellingham Washington and after 15 years there they moved to Bend. After a 15-year practice in Bend Bob retired. Bob and Gay have had an interest in refurbishing homes and most recently they have had a 10-acre farm project they have been working for some time, redoing buildings including farm building and the home on the property. The farm has been sold so now they are living a life of luxury.

Bob enjoys landscaping and fixer upper type projects. Gay enjoys scrap booking and Mah-Jongg. She has a group of retired teachers she calls "walk and talk" as they enjoy each other's company getting exercise and getting caught up on local events.

They have two daughters both living in Bend. Also, two grandsons one attending Oregon State University (Go Beavs) and one attending Whitworth College. Bob and Gay have been married 53 years. This is their first Corvette which they bought new in 2007. Apparently, this was more Gay's idea than Bob's, but they have enjoyed the car and HDCC events.







#### **FEATURED MEMBERS**

#### Ron and Diane Wedemen

Ron and Diane Wedemen are the club's newest members. They grew up in Milwaukie Wisconsin and met in Phoenix AZ. The have been married 38 years. They moved to the North Bend – Coos Bay area and have lived there 25 years prior to moving to Bend.

Ron had a career in commercial refrigeration, owned a Chevrolet dealership and a mobile home park. Diane began her career as a secretary for the Miller Brewing Company and continued in the secretarial field in Phoenix and after moving worked in the same capacity for Seuse Brothers in Coos Bay which was an Ocean Towing business.

Ron has owned several Corvettes over the years starting with a 1960, 1975, 1977, 2002 and their current car a yellow 2008 convertible.

Ron's hobbies include being involve in car clubs, enjoys playing pool, model airplanes and is a licensed private pilot. He has owned a plane in the past. Diane enjoys walking, hiking and cooking. Together they enjoy their animal family consisting of two dogs and four cats.

They have belonged to a street rod club called the "Over the Hill Gang".

Welcome to HDCC, we hope you enjoy your time with the club.





#### **HDCC 2019 Statistics**

Currently there are 92 HDCC Members, Total 58 Corvettes

#### **New Members for 2019**

Steve Taylor & Bev Rodriques

Tess Burke

Walter Bailey

Marc & Leslie Brodeur

Caroline Founier

Ron & Diane Wedemen

Gregg Hammer

Larry & Kathie Raaf

Jerry & Melanie Wilken

Alan & Debbie Fuller

Tim Krugh—Returned

Malcolm & Marlene Meyers

Steve & Barb Fisher

#### **Final Production C7**

On Thursday, November 15th at approximately 3:10 pm, the final <u>C7 Corvettes</u> were completed at the Corvette Assembly Plant in Bowling Green. Chevrolet celebrated the moment by tweeting out a photo of the last C7 Corvette produced – a Black 2019 Corvette Z06 – that was sold at auction for charity earlier in the summer.

Automobile collector Dan Snyder placed the winning \$2.7 million bid for the Black 2019 Z06 Coupe at the Barrett-Jackson Northeast Auction in Connecticut on June 28. Proceeds from the sale went to the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Snyder is the CEO of digital media company inLighten and founder of Dan Snyder Motorsports, and his collection spans nearly 100 vehicles which also includes the very last Viper produced.





# Corvette Mid-Engine Concept Cars That Never Made It To Production



1986 Corvette
Indy concept Car

1985 CorvetteIndy Concept Car





1990 Cerv III



# **Veteran's Day Parade 2019**



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#### 2020 Corvette isn't just super-fast; it's luxury-car quiet and smooth

I didn't expect the quietest and most vibration-free cabin of any Corvette I've driven. The law of unintended consequences doesn't usually apply to pleasant surprises, but the radically new 2020 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray comes with a beauty.

The first-ever Corvette with its engine mounted behind the passengers — a mid-engine layout, in auto parlance — is also the quietest and smoothest in the history of the great American sports car.

Sub-three-second, zero-to-60 mile-per-hour time notwithstanding, the new Corvette isn't just ready to run with exotic sports cars from Ferrari and Lamborghini on track and country roads. It's also primed to match the best from Mercedes AMG for long-distance touring.

Based on a brief test, I wouldn't hesitate to drop the Stingray into track mode and set off on a cross-country drive. Improved handling and the ability to use more power aren't surprises in a midengined car

But I didn't expect the quietest and most vibration-free cabin of any Corvette I've driven. It's not easy to keep engine noise out of the cabin as the engine pounds away 18 inches behind the driver's ears. Chevy engineers pulled the trick off with traditional insulation and active noise cancellation.

Add a very stiff chassis with springs and bushings expertly tuned to lock out road noise and vibration and you've got an interior that's as peaceful as many luxury sedans.

The steering is fast and direct, even more responsive than the 2019 'Vette, thanks to the car's lighter nose, a higher ratio, and new steering gear.

A new feature that will save owners countless paint chips and minor repairs allows the driver to raise the Corvette's nose for driveways and to avoid parking blocks. You can even tell the GPS to remember frequently visited spots and raise the nose automatically if you forget.

The engine announces its presence when you hit the gas, of course. The 'Vette leaps forward and the engine roars to life. The suspension shifts smoothly at light throttle, but hammers through the gears when you nail it.



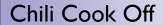
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2019 In The Rear View Mirror.

The Highlights of 2019 In Pictures













Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm



**Battle Buddies Car Show** 











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