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Flag Day Parade and Tour by Denny and Josette Miller

On Saturday morning we woke up to cloudy skies and weather reports promising a mostly sunny day for our trip to Ocean Shores to participant in their annual Flag Day Parade.

Normally, when headed someplace like Ocean Shores, we gather at Barnes and Noble's parking lot on the west side of Olympia. But on this day, we had to do something different because we needed to leave town by 8:00 am, which required early morning bathroom facilities.

As a result we met across the street at Haggen Food and Pharmacy because they open early on Saturday and have bathrooms. Tour members included: Denny and Josette (platoon 1 lead), Lee and Sherry, Brian and Betsy, Marilyn, Anne, Jason, Frank (platoon 1 tail), Bob and his friend Priscilla, Arthur and Carla (platoon 2 lead), Gary and Connie, Larry and Maggie, Doug and Sang, Doug and Velma, and Shoshanah (Platoon 2 tail).



We left pretty much on schedule and jumped on highway 101 N heading west.



Soon enough we were on highway 8 heading over the Black Hills under clearing skies. It was wonderful!

Highway 8 turned into highway 12 and soon we made it to the Montesano exit where we turned left onto highway 107 and headed for Blue Slough road.

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Corvettes de Olympia is a non-profit organization formed in 1972. Our purpose is to:

- 1. Develop friendship and pride among Corvette owners and drivers,*
- 2. Encourage skillful, safe and sportsmanlike driving habits on the highways,*
- 3. Improve relations between the community and Corvette people,*
- 4. Actively promote, sponsor, organize, and supervise sports car competition, outings, meetings and other Corvette or sports car activities.*

Annual membership dues are Family—\$55.00, Single—\$27.50. Monthly meetings are normally held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Hawk's Prairie Restaurant. Meetings are open to any and all Corvette enthusiasts.

Visit us on the web at: www.corvettesdeolympia.org

Next Meeting

**August 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA**

President's Message



June ushered in a real summer and brought us lots of fun with our Corvettes.

Many club members have mentioned how much they enjoyed the Flag Day parade, the Yelm parade, and the stunning tour to Paradise on Mt Rainier.

July has even more to offer, starting with the 4th of July and Lakefair parades, and ending with the performance drive to Mt. St. Helens' Windy Ridge.

July also includes two opportunities to join our sister clubs from NWACC - the third NWAAC autocross and the Puget Sound Corvette Club's Show 'n Shine car show. This is PSCG's first Show 'n Shine, so let's travel up to Tacoma together and display our cars.

I look forward to this event-filled month and encourage you to come join us whenever you can.

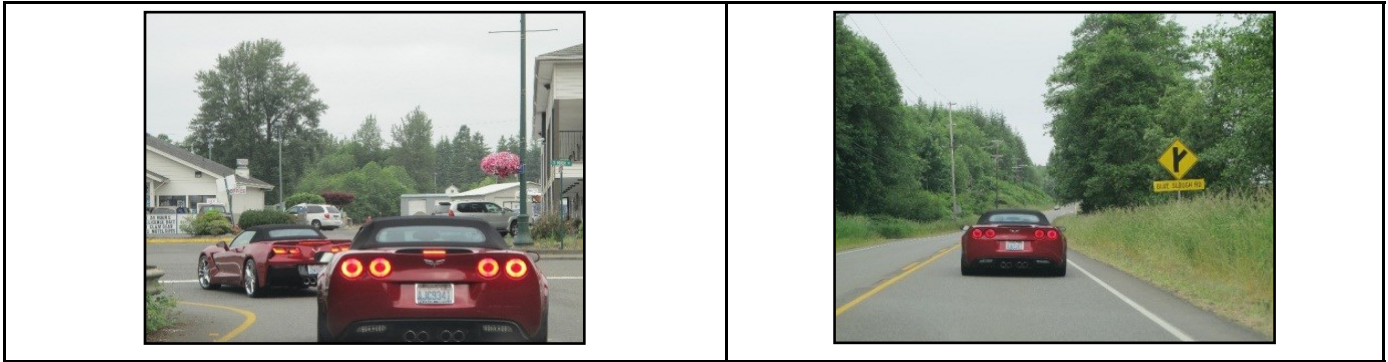
Save the Wave,

Anne

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1972	Rich Lockhart
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1974	Rich Lockhart
1975	Terry Halliday
1976	Ralph Adams
1977	Bill Pollard
1978	Sandy Lockhart
1979	Mike Halliday
1980	Ralph Adams
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2010	Meagan Renick
2011	Meagan Renick
2012	Meagan Renick
2013	Anne Wax
2014	Anne Wax
2015	Anne Wax

Flag Day Parade and Tour by Denny and Josette Miller cont.



We cruised through Blue Slough road at a fast but safe clip.



Then we drove through Cosmopolis to Highway 101, where we went over the Chehalis River bridge, turned off at State Street and drove a few blocks to the Safeway store.



After a short break at Safeway, we headed west to Hoquiam and north on highway 101 N



Flag Day Parade and Tour by Denny and Josette Miller cont.

After a few miles, we turned onto Ocean Beach Road and drove to Copalis Crossing.



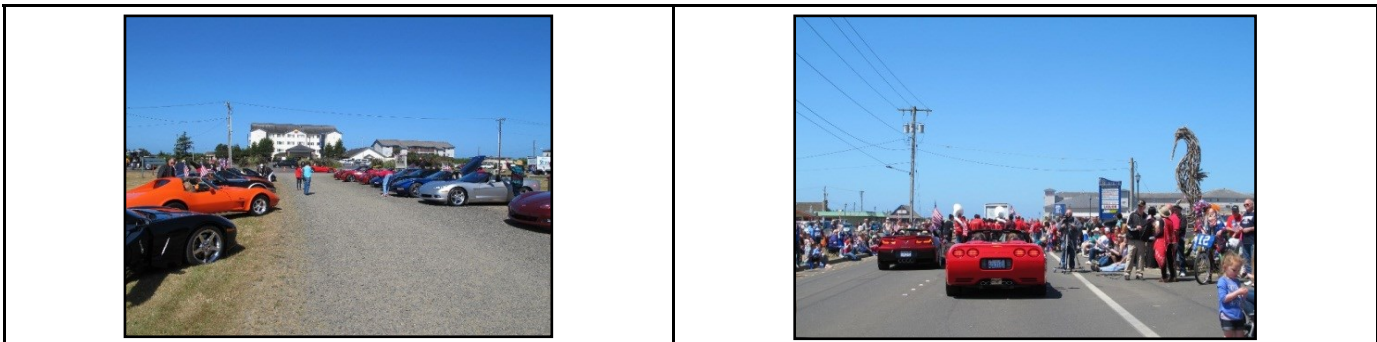
Copalis Beach road to us to Copalis Beach where we turned south for the final stretch to Ocean Shores.



The weather had pretty much cleared up by the time we reached Ocean Shores.



Nick and Sandy met us at our staging area for the parade and less than an hour later we drove side by side through town in the parade.



Flag Day Parade and Tour by Denny and Josette Miller cont.

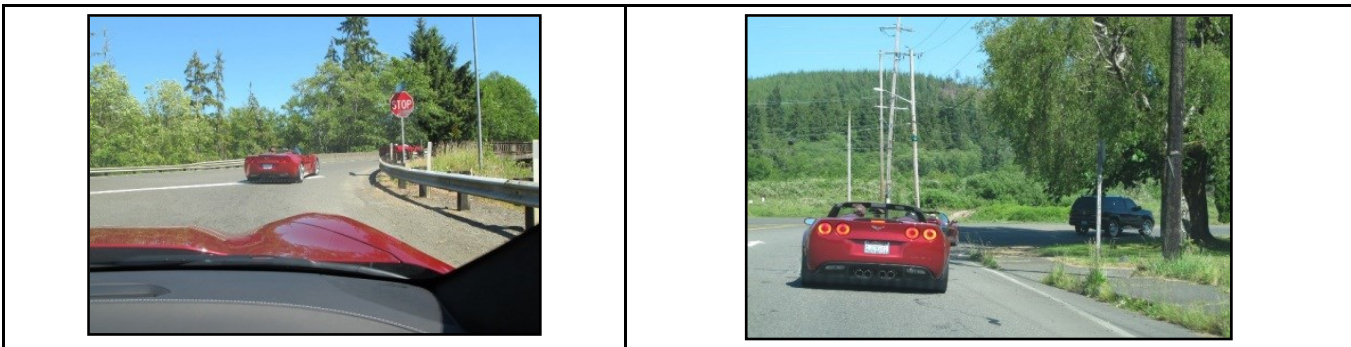
After the parade we broke up and went to different restaurants and then met up at the Quinault Beach Casino boardwalk and took a stroll on the beach.



At 3:00 we had a short driver's meeting and headed out from the casino and drove north to Copalis Beach before heading back toward Copalis Crossing.



Once in Copalis Crossing we headed south on Ocean Beach Road and then 101 S to Hoquiam.



We drove back through Hoquiam and Aberdeen.

Flag Day Parade and Tour by Denny and Josette Miller cont.

Then took our final break at the same Safeway store as in the morning.



Soon we were heading back for Blue Slough road.



Just as in the morning, we had the road to ourselves but this time under sunny skies.



After Blue Slough, we headed for home.



That was it. Great tour, nice parade, lunch in Ocean shores, a brief stint on the beach, and fabulous weather the whole time.

General Membership Meeting

Hawks Prairie Inn

June 10th 2015 7:00-8:00**Call To Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Anne Wax)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report (Will Trogden)

Will presented the report. Will can provide copies of this month's report to individuals if requested.

Committee Reports**Sponsorship Update (Peggy Rogers)**

Every sponsor up to date.

Membership Update (Billy Smith)

Bob and Debbie Simonetti were unanimously voted in as new members.

Sunshine Chair (Charmaine)

Charmaine will be visiting Leo very soon!

Webmaster (Wendy Forcier)

If you have any questions about the new look of the site, please contact Wendy. Everything is up to date, and she has copies of the newsletter if you'd like. Check out the article 'Where We've Been' – great article from Don and Megan Evans!

Historian Update (Marilyn Trogden)

History is in the making! Lots of pictures for the last set of tours and events.

Scholarship Fund (Mark Twardzicki)

We are great for funds!

NWACC (George Schwartz)

NWACC representatives approved three changes to the constitution. See Special Topic section below for details.

National Corvette Museum (George Schwartz)

Summertime in Kentucky – events in full swing -- check out the site. The 1 Millionth car was damaged, and when they went to replace parts, mechanics found that all those that worked on the car had etched their names into the parts. They are keeping these – instead of replacing the part. GM is taking over the restoration of the older cars.

Vette Fest 2015 (Arthur Green and Don Patnoe)

We have T-Shirts worked out, and a sign-up sheet for volunteers – even if you don't know what you want to do, come join us. It's a lot of fun. We have 100 flyers to folks to spread the word.

Check out the September 2014 newsletter to see the pictures from last year.

Events and Activities (Josette Miller)

- Jim and Karen have volunteered to host Lakefair parade picnic
- Lacey police are hosting an Aug 1st car display – see sign up
- Mystery Tour – a new tour!!!

Where we've been:

Lacey Fun Fair – at 6pm, we carried Lakefair princesses and dignitaries. Michaela was the Grand Marshall of the parade, and negotiated to be driven in a Corvette!

Novice Autocross Training/Autocross #1 – May 16th George and Paul reported they had a great time, and we have video proof that Paul had a really fun time!! See videos being uploaded on the footage. Novice school had 21 students with 5 instructors. Even Arthur's daughter joined in the fun.

SW Washington Tokeland Tour – May 31st we had 14 cars, 22 of us. It was gorgeous and sunny. Had to readjust when we caught up with a group of racing cyclers on our route. We were very entertaining for them, and had a great lunch!

June Meeting Minutes *cont.*

Where we are going:

Glass Odyssey Corvette Club Show-n-Shine – June 20th --- In Port Orchard --- Don is leading a group, and has registration. Many folks are caravanning with Don – should be fun, and gives us more participation points to beat out the Marque club!!! J

Yelm Prairie Days Parade – June 25th – all signed up. Please let us know if you will be joining.

The Day Tour to Oregon Tail of the Dragon – August 2nd. Great, curvy Corvette roads.

Mt. Rainier Tour – June 28th Arthur and Carla did a test run of the tour. Because the weather is so good, we are going to go to Paradise.

Ocean Shores – June 13th – Will drive through Copalis for a change of pace, and will have to decide where to eat lunch.

Autocross 2 – come and cheer them on. There's a fierce rivalry between Arthur and George heating up. J

4th of July Parade and Picnic, and Freedom Fest - – Doug and Velma will be hosting the picnic afterwards at their place.

These are just the highlights – check out the website for much more!!

Old and New Business

- Billy was recognized for his fine service as Vice President in 2014 and Chair of membership.
- For parade goers, pick up clings with our club name from Will.

Special Topic: NWACC Constitution Changes

Here's a recap of the recent changes to the NWACC Constitution and By-Laws as approved by the various club representatives.

Constitution:

- Changed the NWACC Fiscal Year to January 1st to December 31st.

By-Laws:

- Changed the term of office of all NWACC officers to begin on January 1st following the NWACC Year-End Banquet and run for two years to December 31st.
- The Vice President shall convene a committee of not less than 3 representatives from 3 different clubs to review the NWACC financial records. The review shall be completed prior to the first business meeting of the new fiscal year.

These changes took effect at the last NWACC business meeting and the current documents are available on the NWACC website.

Raffle (Will Trogden)

Carolyn provided some great baked goods from her work, and John Zink donated a cool corvette model filled with whiskey.

And the Winners Are:

- Arthur won Loaf of Bread from Honey Baked bakery
- Bill K. – Chocolate Bundt cake
- 1978 Corvette with Jim Beam – George Weeks
- 50/50 -- \$47 in ones goes to Marilyn
- George C. won a CDEO sticker in yellow

Meeting Adjourned

RDU2020 radios

by Anne Wax



Two-way radios provide a way for CdeO members to stay in touch while driving in a group.

This can be important for safety, to keep the group together, and to report mechanical problems and to entertain each other with sights and quips along the way.

The club uses Motorola RDU2020 radios, which can be purchased on-line.

They usually cost between \$180 and \$200 dollars, but sometimes you can find a good deal on eBay or Amazon.com. Just search the web, and find the

best deal you can from a reliable shipper.

If you have any questions, contact Anne.

2015 Yelm Prairy Days Parade by Wendy Forcier

Another Year of Parading off to Yelm for the Yelm Prairy Days Parade. It was a blistering hot day but everybody was raring up the motors.



Just chilling in the waiting area and swapping engine stories.

Once again, Wendy is on the scene ready and waiting for that perfect shot.



As you can see, not everybody abides by the “no candy” rule. Here we have the Sherriff of Yelm pleasing

2015 Yelm Prairy Days Parade by Wendy Forcier cont.

And we are off, the crowds are cheering for us.

We had a great line up. The crowds cheering had us



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Beautiful representatives of the 4th of July



Carolyn revving up the engine for the crowd.



2015 CdeO Club's Lunch in Paradise by Wendy Forcier

We changed our usual plans for Mt. St. Helen's Tours and decided to head up to Paradise for lunch.

So we started the trip as hot as it was with our tops rolled down or stored in the back hatch. We huddled for a recap of what the plan of attack would be for the day while observing an intermittent lightning bolt off in the distance. It was beautiful to watch.



We then headed out excited for the warm beautiful day. Five minutes into the drive... of course, it started to rain, tops off and short sleeves. At least most of the women had hats on.

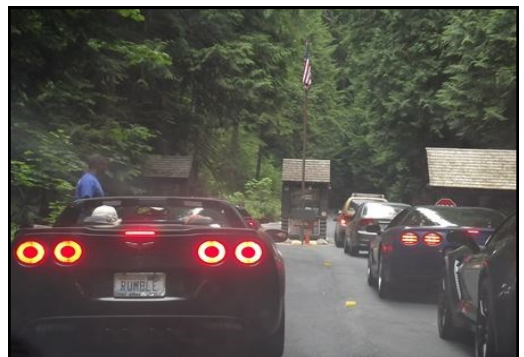
Thankfully everybody agreed to pull over and put the roofs back on the cars.



Our official first stop, bathroom break/gas fill up, was a well-known and well used stop by Corvette De Olympia in Elbe WA, where we can enjoy the scenery so and the old brightly colored train engine cars that some of us forget to look at the gas gage. At this stop we had people coming out of the woodwork snapping pictures of our cars.



We then headed for Mt. Rainier National Park and Paradise for lunch but a few minutes later we quickly stopped for another gas fill up for those who forgot to look at the gas gage.



2015 CdeO club's Lunch in Paradise

Once in the gates of the Park we knew we had hit Paradise. The roads were nothing but great Corvette curve after curve to the top.



We had finally made it to Paradise!



Once inside Paradise, we had a wait in the lobby for tables as they serenaded us. We were set in 4 person tables and enjoyed a scrumptious buffet.



2015 CdeO club's Lunch in Paradise

Once our bellies were full we collected outside enjoying the view. We were able to catch a couple of mountain goats at work.

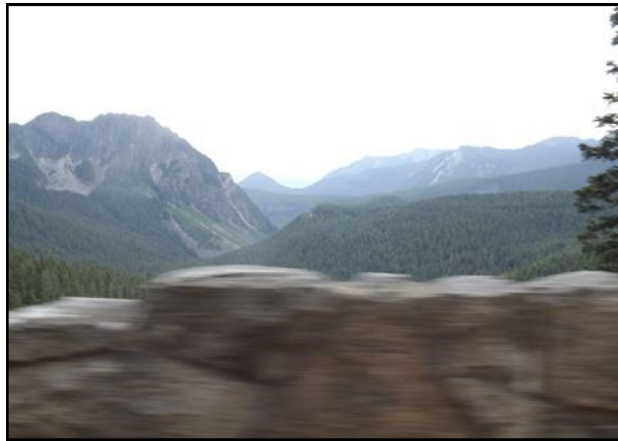


After the playing and climbing around it was round up time.



2015 CdeO club's Lunch in Paradise

Touring back down the mountain we stopped to enjoy the view of Steven's Creek where plenty more pictures were taken.



Once out of the mountain and headed home, a few of us stopped in Yelm for some ice cream at Dairy Queen to end a perfect day and it was the perfect end to a perfect day.

CORVETTES DE OLYMPIA AND TITUS-WILL PRESENT Capital City Vette Fest XI



SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2015 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM
Titus Will Chevrolet – 2255 Carriage Loop, Olympia, WA

All-Corvette Car Show!



- NWACC Judged Show 'n' Shine
- Participant's Choice
- Display-Only Cruise-In

Trophies—Raffle prizes—Come join the fun!

Participant Choice Categories!



- Best of Show
- Best Paint
- Best Custom *and more...*

Lunch courtesy of Titus-Will!

REGISTRATION FORM (CORVETTES ONLY)

NAME: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE/PROVINCE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CLUB AFFILIATION: _____ NWACC MEMBER? Yes / No

YEAR: _____ COLOR: _____ MILEAGE: _____ MODEL: (check one) ☐ Coupe ☐ Convertible

CLASS (check one):

Non-Judged: ☐ Participant's Choice / Display Only Cruise-in

NWACC JUDGED: ☐ C-1 ☐ C-2 ☐ C-3 ☐ C-4 ☐ C-5 Coupe ☐ C-5 Convertible
☐ C-6 Coupe ☐ C-6 Convertible ☐ C7 Coupe ☐ C7 Convertible ☐ Under 10K

Register before August 1, 2015 for discounted rate!

- ☐ NWACC Judged Show 'n' Shine (includes Participant's Choice)
☐ Participant's Choice / Display Only Cruise-in (non-judged)

Registration Fee	Total
\$25 (\$30 after Aug 1)	\$ _____
\$20 (\$25 after Aug 1)	\$ _____

T-Shirt Deadline: August 1, 2015

(Enter Desired Number of T-Shirts Next To Size)

Men's: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL _____ 4XL _____	\$20 each	\$ _____
Women's V-neck: XS _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____	\$20 each	\$ _____
Youth: YXS _____ YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____	\$20 each	\$ _____

Mail-In Deadline: August 16, 2015

Note: \$2 fee added to on-line credit card registrations

Grand Total: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Corvettes de Olympia. Mail to: Corvettes de Olympia, P.O. Box 2154, Olympia, WA 98507

Test Your Knowledge:

Base Horsepower: 300

Maximum Available Horsepower: 435 hp

Model-Year Sales: 28,556

Corvette was all new for ([What year](#)), and little thicker around the middle. At 3065 pounds, the new convertible was a full 300 pounds heavier than the original '53, but only 50 pounds up on the '[What year](#)'.



Cruise-Ins: Donated by Duncan Johnson

At the LeMay Museum in Tacoma:

April 9, 2015 5:00pm-8:00pm

Every second Thursday we will feature classic cars on the plaza, April through October, rain or shine!

Mix and mingle with other car enthusiasts while listening to music, voting on the People's Choice Award and entering to win the raffle.

NEW THIS YEAR: Gravedigger BBQ will be on-site offering some of their award-winning BBQ choices.

ACM will also be open until 8pm for these Cruise-Ins, so be sure to explore the museum and take advantage of extended hours.

2015 Cruise-In Dates:

August 13

September 10

October 8

Contact Info

(253) 779-8490

info@lemaymuseum.org



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Upcoming Events

July

- Fri-Sun 10-12th **Shadow of the Mountain Tacoma Corvette Club in Leavenworth, WA**
 Sun 12th **NWACC Autocross #3 at Sanderson Field in Shelton**
 Sat 18th **Lakefair Grand Parade*** — The parade starts at 5:00 p.m. A caravan will leave for our staging area at 3:00 p.m. from the Tumwater Safeway at Cleveland Avenue and North Street (520 Cleveland Avenue S.E.)
 Sat 18th **Picnic at Jim and Karen's Home after the Lakefair Grand Parade*** The picnic will begin after the Lakefair Parade—around 6:30 p.m. It is a potluck. You are invited to the picnic even if you miss the parade.
 Sat 25th **Puget Sound Corvette Club Show –n– Shine at Griot's Garage** — There will be a CdeO caravan available for this event. Time and place still to be determined. Stay tuned!
 Sun 26th **Mt. St. Helen's Windy Ridge Day Tour*** — We'll leave at 8:00 a.m. from the QFC in Lacey (4775 Whitman Lane S.E.). We'll drive to Windy Ridge via the Gifford Pinchot National Forest—this trip does include performance driving. We'll stop in Randle to purchase a National Park Pass. We'll have lunch at Windy Ridge, so you will need to bring a lunch for this tour.

August

- Sat 1st **Lacey Policy Department Car Display from 9 to 2:00 p.m. (added by Randy)**
 Sun 2nd **Day Tour to Oregon Tail of the Dragon***
 Sun 9th **NWACC Autocross #4 in Shelton**
 Mon 10th **Olympia Rotary Club Car Show from 11 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. (added by Doug G.)**
 Wed 12th **CdeO Meeting, Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.***
 Fri-Sun 14-16th **Classical Glass 5-Star Classic All Car Show in Dupont**
 Sun 23rd **CdeO Vette Fest Show-n-Shine at Titus-Will Chevrolet in Olympia***
 Sat/Sun 29-30th **Hold this date for a one or two-day tour. The actual event is still to be determined. (new)**

* Indicates Club sanctioned events that count for membership qualifications. For more meeting places, times and additional events, visit the CdeO Event Calendar at <http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org>